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CLAIM FREE PORT WOULD WIN TRADE

Business Men Again Urge That Compulsory Pilotage Be Abolished—Indian Reserve Question Is Revived at Board of Trade

The steamship service between Victoria and Sound ports, the establishment of national or free ports in Canada, the survey of a railway line from Alberta to the west coast of Vancouver Island, the labor and Indian reserve questions, and the movement by the Anti-Tuberculosis society towards checking the spreading of that disease in this province, were some of the important matters which came before the Victoria Board of Trade at its regular meeting yesterday afternoon. President J. A. Mara occupied the chair, and there was a large attendance.

In debating the scarcity of labor, J. A. Sayward made an interesting statement. He told of a conference between Commissioner Combe and Victoria employers, at which the former had recommended that the provincial government be pressed to appropriate \$25,000 towards bringing Old Country laborers to this province. At his suggestion it was decided that a committee should wait upon the government in this connection.

The special committee having in hand the question of an improved service to the Sound, reported that action had been taken with satisfactory results. The committee was commended upon its energy and gratifying achievements.

West Coast Needs

In reference to life-saving on the West Coast, Secretary Elworthy read a communication from Hon. Wm. Templeman, minister of inland revenue, stating that he had received the board's request that some action be taken towards "the building of a trail along the shore line of the southwest coast of Vancouver Island." He added: "The Minister of Marine and Fisheries has this whole question before him, and has, I believe, an item in the estimates for that purpose."

C. H. Lugin stated that he had been informed that the Dominion government had decided to engage the steamer Orion, which was engaged in connection with the whaling station, for life-saving. He also understood that it was intended to extend the telegraph line to Sechart. This undoubtedly would be a material help to navigation.

An official of the Marine and Fisheries department had suggested that it might be possible to send out a party to locate a feasible route for a coast trail. By so doing those being employed would serve the purpose of a guard during the winter months.

It was agreed that a resolution would be drafted to that effect.

Free Port Advocated

The question of making Victoria a free port was introduced by the reading of the following resolution:

Whereas the Royal Commission on Transportation has recommended to the Dominion government the establishment of national or free ports.

And whereas this board has already, by resolution, approved of such recommendation.

Be it resolved, that this board requests the Dominion government to take into consideration the said recommendation at an early date as possible, and expresses the hope that the sea-borne commerce of the nation shall be freed as far as is practicable from the vexations imposed, other than customs duty, at the present existing.

That this resolution be forwarded to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the representatives of British Columbia in parliament, and to the Board of Trade of the seaports of the Dominion.

Would Benefit Victoria

The mover, Vice-President Pauline, explained the advantages of the proposal. It would do away with pilotage dues. He thought that these were impediments to the encouragement of the shipping trade of the port. In his opinion the entrance to this city by water should be just as free as Government street was to the ordinary pedestrian. It should be well lighted and also properly policed. He thought, perhaps, such ideas would appear just a little advanced. But if that policy were adopted generally the Dominion of Canada would be stimulated commercially to a marked extent.

In this connection the president called for the letter forwarded by R. P. Rithet & Co., agents for the P. C. S. S. Co., stating that it did not propose asking the Dominion government to continue to be cut out as a part of call by San Francisco steamers.

R. L. Drury, M. P. P., thought the position assumed by the officials of the P. C. S. S. Co. at San Francisco illogical. He also was of the opinion that it would be bad policy to interfere in any way with the maintenance of the Marine hospital. It was a worthy institution. He believed that the board should move slowly.

Mr. Lugin explained that the action of the P. C. S. S. Co. was only a special instance of the result of the imposition of pilotage. The question being discussed was that of free ports.

It was a broader question than Mr. Drury appeared to think. In reference to the Marine hospital, it was not claimed that such an institution was unnecessary, or that it did not do good work. All that was being objected to was that this port should be called upon to give it all the needed financial support.

Mr. Pauline added that the situation might be made clearer by pointing out that under the present circumstances the seaports were taxed somewhat heavily. If these dues were paid by the government from the general revenue the relief would be great. Then the taxation would be more generally distributed. Of course the charges always ultimately came out of the consumer, but by the adoption of the method suggested the seaboard towns would be very materially benefited.

Songhees Reserve Question

Taking up the Indian reserve question, a telegram was read by the secretary from Hon. Mr. Templeman, stating that P. Pedley, of the Indian department, had not yet submitted his report to the government.

Mr. Wilson thought a telegram should be sent the minister emphasizing the importance of the board receiving a copy of Mr. Pedley's statement at the earliest possible date. He said that the C. P. R. already was experiencing difficulty in handling the local trade with the present facilities. Unless accommodation for the extension of its Victoria terminal were provided, he feared the commercial advancement of the city would be seriously hampered. There were no two ways about it—the business could not be handled if it increased. And there was no doubt, Mr. Wilson continued, that there would be a marked improvement during the next few years.

Mr. Wilson moved that a wire be sent to Hon. Mr. Templeman asking that Mr. Pedley's report should be forwarded to the secretary of the Victoria Board of Trade at the earliest possible moment. Carried unanimously.

Rail to the Mainland

Mr. Lugin, on behalf of a special committee, submitted the following report:

Whereas the Royal Transportation Commission reported as follows:

"These matters were referred to in an endeavor to impress the commission favorably with the board's desire that Vancouver Island should be connected with the mainland of British Columbia by a railway bridge in the vicinity of Seymour Narrows, and after a review of all the facts the commission recommended that a feasible and economical route be determined and survey be made in order to find the best route from the plains of Alberta to an ocean port on the west side of Vancouver Island."

That in case of the building of a bridge at Seymour Narrows, or elsewhere, connecting the mainland of British Columbia with the island of Vancouver, such bridge and the approaches thereto, and the land on both sides of the water running back from same, such district as may be deemed necessary to allow of free access thereto, be owned and controlled by the government of Canada, with the view of resuming such district as may be deemed necessary to allow of free access thereto and its approaches to all railways desiring to use it.

And whereas in pursuance of a request made by that board, the Department of Railways and Canals has instructed Mr. H. B. Bell to make an estimate of the cost of the bridges necessary to give an all-rail connection with Vancouver Island and the mainland, and that Mr. Bell had only available data collected many years ago, and in his estimate proceeded on the assumption that Seymour Narrows was the best place for a single span instead of utilizing the rock near the centre of the Narrows.

And, whereas, the board believes that if an actual survey is made it will be found that Mr. Bell's estimate of cost can be much reduced.

And whereas it is of the greatest importance that no time should be lost in preparing estimates based on fresh surveys.

This Board of Trade urges the Dominion government to place such a sum in the estimates as will enable a thorough survey to be made of the best site for the bridge across Seymour Narrows, and of the approaches thereto, and for a line from Yellow Head Pass to the mainland terminus of the proposed connection with Vancouver Island.

Reasons for Agitation

Speaking to the report, Mr. Lugin said that he wished it understood that the Board of Trade did not propose asking the Dominion government to continue to be cut out as a part of call by San Francisco steamers. Action had been begun by the drafting of a petition, in which the opinion was expressed that the federal government should adopt the recommendations of the Transportation commission and make the project a portion of the national transcontinental railway system. He had been told that he should not press the matter of bridging the Narrows, because such a thing might embarrass some of those in power. In answer he had said that the representatives of any constituency were placed there in order to receive the recommendations of those by whom they were elected. Therefore they should not prove of an embarrassing character to them. He wished to emphasize this because he knew that Hon. Wm. Templeman, minister of inland revenue, and the representative of Victoria in the federal House, realized the importance of the project of spanning the waters at the Seymour Narrows. The minister, he was convinced, would not thank anyone for saying that the forwarding of petitions from the Victoria Board of Trade were an embarrassment to him. It was said that it would give him great satisfaction to carry out the wishes of the local organization.

The people of Victoria, Mr. Lugin continued, were extremely diffident in pressing the Dominion government for things to which they thought they were entitled. There was scarcely a proposal suggested without the citizens, whom its consummation would most benefit, first pointing out the objections to it and the difficulties lying in the way.

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VICTORIA LOOKS GOOD TO MAN WITH MONEY

T. L. McKay of Winnipeg Ready to Invest Half a Million Dollars

BUYS A BEAUTIFUL RESIDENCE

Says That Many People With Capital Will Soon Be Coming This Way

"Victoria and vicinity is good enough for me to invest half a million in," casually remarked T. L. McKay, of Winnipeg, an important real estate operator from the Manitoba capital who has been in Victoria for a few days. He has proved his faith by already making purchases of property, reaching, in the aggregate, a very large sum.

Yesterday he purchased the Walter Chambers residential property on the Gorge road, one of the finest sites in the city. This statement is rendered more interesting by reason of the fact that the property mentioned will become Mr. McKay's family home.

Reside Here Permanently

On his present visit he is accompanied by his mother and both are particularly charmed with the natural beauty of the city. They will return to Winnipeg in a few days for the winter and remain until the end of next June. Several of the younger members of the family are attending school and college in Winnipeg and Mrs. McKay does not wish to break up the school year. The beginning of July will however, see the whole family in this city to reside permanently.

Investing Heavily

But Mr. McKay has decided that business investments in Victoria are also desirable. He is making the best use of his present stay. Already he has made several other purchases, including ten acres at Oak Bay and several important waterfront lots. Today he will visit the Saanich peninsula with a view to investing heavily in farming property.

Although a young man, apparently on the sunny side of thirty, he has been actively engaged in real estate operations for several years. To use his own words, "I have followed up the boom as it traveled west. This includes Brandon, Regina, Saskatoon, Calgary and Edmonton, but I fully believe that there is a better chance here for making money than there ever was in any of these cities. In Brandon, for instance, business property is held at about \$1,500 a front foot, while here, in equally good localities it can be secured for \$500. Present prices in Victoria are much too low, reckoning real business valuation, and they will go much higher."

Faith in the City

At this stage of the conversation the interviewer was introduced to S. S. Stevenson, also of Winnipeg, a business associate of Mr. McKay's, who arrived on Wednesday up to call. The interview then became triangular, but the two recent arrivals from the prairie monopolized the conversation. They seemed full of Victoria.

Mr. Stevenson said: "With the opening of the new year at least a hundred Winnipeggers will come to Victoria, and everyone will buy."

"You can bet on that," interpolated Mr. McKay. "Of course, owing to business associations many of them cannot possibly leave their present location, but all will buy for investment. The wealthier will purchase winter homes, while the others will expect to make money."

Then Mr. Stevenson concluded the conversation in a similar strain. "Victoria looks good to Winnipeggers," he continued. "It looks like a case of 'good Winnipeggers, when they get rich, go to Victoria.' British Columbia is the theme on everybody's lips."

And then, to remind him somewhat of Winnipeg in a milder climate, Mr. McKay left for the roller skating rink, and the interview terminated.

OKANAGAN CONVENTION CHOOSES PRICE ELLISON

Conservatives of Riding Unanimous for Re-election of Present Member

Vernon, B. C., Dec. 13.—At a largely attended convention of Conservatives of Okanagan today, Price Ellison was unanimously chosen Conservative candidate for the next provincial election. Premier McBride was present and gave a short address. A district association was also formed, with Price Ellison as honorary president; Donald Graham, Armstrong, president; H. W. Raymer, Kelowna, vice president; and A. O. Cochrane, Vernon, secretary. A strong executive, representative of the riding, was selected. A banquet was held this evening, and tomorrow there will be a public meeting, at which the Premier will speak.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Alex. McLaren, Policeman and Detectives on Charges of Manslaughter.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—(Special)—At Hull today Alexander McLaren, one of the millionaire lumbermen of Ottawa Valley, and nine policemen and detectives were committed for trial on charges of manslaughter in connection with the deaths of Thomas Belanger and Francis Therault, two strikers killed at Buckingham in the riot of October 8.

GIVES NOTICE OF BILL ON COAL MINE STRIKES

Hon. Mr. Lemieux Acts on Recommendations of Mackenzie King

TWO CENT A MILE PASSENGER FARE

W. F. MacLean Discusses His Bill to Repeal the Anti-Ticket Scalping Law

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—(Special)—Hon. Mr. Lemieux, minister of labor, has given notice of a bill to aid in preventing and settling strikes and lockouts in coal mines, which is based upon the recommendations of Mackenzie King in his report on the settlement of the Lethbridge coal strike. In this report King points out that the Conciliation act passed in 1900, while only a voluntary measure, has led to a speedy termination of many strikes and lockouts. The act of 1903 to aid in the settlement of railway labor disputes has had a very beneficial effect. King says: "The purpose of parliament in enacting both the Conciliation and Railway Labor Disputes acts might be considerably furthered were an act applicable to strikes and lockouts in coal mines, similar in some of its features to the Railway Labor Disputes act, also enacted. Inasmuch as coal in this country is a commodity on which not only a great part of the manufacturing and transportation industries, but also, as recent experience has shown, much of happiness and life itself, depends, it would appear that if legislation can be devised, which, without encroaching upon recognized rights of employers and employees, will at the same time protect the public, parliament would be justified in enacting any measure which will make a strike or lockout in a coal mine a thing of the past. Such an end, it would appear, might be achieved, at least in part, were a provision made whereby, as in the case of the Railway Labor Disputes act, all disputes in question might be referred to a board empowered to conduct an investigation under the additional feature, perhaps, that such reference should not be optional but obligatory, and pending investigation and until the board has issued its finding, the parties be restrained on pain of penalty, from declaring a lockout or strike. In view of past experience and the present situation I would, therefore, respectfully recommend that the attention of parliament be invited to a consideration of some such or other measure with a view of preventing a possible recurrence of experience such as this country has been forced to witness during the past month, and of promoting, in the interests of the whole people, industrial peace."

Maclean's Bill

The bill to repeal the anti-ticket scalping law, introduced by W. F. MacLean, was the principal subject of discussion today. In moving the second reading MacLean made a dispassionate speech, of which a two-cent-a-mile passenger rate was the principal theme.

Dr. Sproule argued strenuously in favor of the measure.

The minister of railways contended that the sale and purchase of a railway ticket was in the nature of a contract between the railway company and the passenger, and he thought it should not be interfered with.

The bill was referred to the railway committee.

R. L. Borden gave notice of a resolution that the Board of Railway commissioners shall inquire, determine and report with the least possible delay, whether or not the tolls charged in standard passenger tariffs should be reduced so as not to exceed two cents per mile upon all or any of the railways of Canada.

ROOSEVELT BACKS UP ON SPELLING REFORM

Asserts His Willingness to Have More Important Matters Attended to

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—President Roosevelt will withdraw his simplified spelling order to the public printer, and hereafter all documents from the executive department will again be printed in the old-fashioned style.

Representative Landis, of the joint committee on spelling, conferred today with the President, and the latter said that he did not wish to have spelling overshadow matters of great importance, and he was willing to revoke his order for the new spelling in case the House of Representatives went on record as opposed to the system. Accordingly today, Mr. Landis introduced a resolution in the House to the effect that it was the sense of the House that hereafter in printing publications authorized by congress or emanating from the executive departments and independent offices of the government, the government printing office should observe and adhere to the standard of orthography described in the generally accepted dictionary of the English language.

The measure was passed without a dissenting vote, although Mr. Gillett of Massachusetts, who has been regarded as the champion of the President's attitude, explained that he did not wish to give the impression that he has changed his mind. He simply bowed to the will of the House, which appeared to be overwhelmingly against the innovation.

GERMAN GOVERNMENT GOES DOWN TO DEFEAT

Clericals, Socialists and Poles, Outnumber Supporters of the Ministry

EMPEROR DISSOLVES REICHSTAG

Supplementary Appropriation for Support of Army in Southwest Africa Refused

Berlin, Dec. 13.—The existence of the Reichstag was terminated suddenly today amid considerable excitement upon the defeat of the government's bill for a supplementary appropriation to support the troops in German Southwest Africa.

This action on the part of the government took the house by surprise as dissolution means a direct attack on the Clerical party. The Clericals have grown so strong and have attained such an influence over the policy of the government that political prophets asserted that Imperial Chancellor Von Buelow never would venture to create a breach within the party. The tension between the government and the Clericals has been growing since the director of the colonial office, Doernberg, on Dec. 4, attacked the leader of the Centre party, Herr Boern, in the Reichstag and showed that he had attempted unduly to influence the government's administrative measures in the colonies.

Prince Von Buelow, in his final appeal today for the passage of the bill asked: "Are we to jeopardize our national standing for a petty sum at the end of a campaign which has cost us hundreds of millions?"

Emperor William dissolved the Reichstag and ordered new elections in consequence of the government's defeat by 188 to 168 votes on the bill authorizing what the ministry contended is an adequate number of troops to end the insurrection in German Southwest Africa and hold the colony against a recurrence of the rebellion. The Clericals, Socialists, Poles and one wing of the Radicals voted against the government, while the Conservatives, National Liberals and Moderates and Radicals supported the government.

FIRE BRIGADE RESCUES IMPERILLED WORKMEN

Employees of a Winnipeg Firm Forced to Roof of Burning Building

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 13.—Fire in the premises of the Winnipeg Saddlery Company, Market street, today imperilled the lives of a score of workmen who were employed on the top flat of the six-story building. Unable to descend before the dense cloud of smoke that rolled up the only stairway, the men found temporary safety on the roof. James Billington, one of the proprietors, was the last to leave. He found escape cut off in both directions and had a narrow escape from being suffocated as he stood in the window of the top floor waiting for the big aerial ladder to reach him that he might descend to safety. Another ladder was used to rescue the other men. The loss amounted to \$3000.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Nampa, Idaho, Dec. 13.—Thomas Bailey, of Winslow, Ont., was shot and probably fatally wounded by Grace Davis in a resort here today. The woman then killed herself.

GIVES REAL TRAGEDY IN NEW YORK SALOON

Actor Takes Knife From Free Lunch Counter and Commits Suicide

New York, Dec. 13.—Rankin Dunvall, an actor, aged 40 years, today entered a Sixth avenue saloon and picking up a long-bladed cheese-knife from the lunch counter, placed the point to his abdomen and threw himself suddenly to the floor. His body was ripped open, the knife penetrating deeply, and before bystanders could prevent it he thrust the weapon twice into the wound. At the hospital, whither Dunvall was hurried, it was said he will probably die.

Dunvall recently appeared in "The Darling of the Gods," in the last act of which he nightly committed suicide in Japanese fashion.

PAY HEAVY FINES.

New York, Dec. 13.—Fines aggregating \$148,000 imposed upon the American Sugar Refining company and the Brooklyn Cooperage company in connection with accepting rebates on sugar shipments, were paid today.

STORM ON NORTHERN LAKES.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 13.—Many fishermen engaged by United States Fishing companies along lakes Manitoba and Winnipeg, sustained heavy losses during a heavy storm this week which rolled the water mountains high, carrying with it most of the fishermen's expensive nets.

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In this connection the speaker referred to the persistency with which the Maritime provinces had advocated the granting of a subsidy for the building of a railway through the state of Maine years ago. The idea of bousing a line through the heart of a foreign country had been regarded as preposterous at the outset. And yet, he said, so determined were the efforts of those who desired the line that their demands were granted and the railway was constructed. Now it was a most useful route of traffic, especially as it gave Canada access to the winter port at St. John.

Victorians were told that before advocating the bridge at Seymour Narrows, they should wait for development—that they should wait the building of a city at Prince Rupert, the advent of the Canadian Northern railway system to British Columbia, and the further development of the C. P. R. system in this province. He thought the assumption of such a position by Victorians, or by any residents of Vancouver Island, was not in accord with their dignity as Canadian citizens.

It was stated that not only would the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern penetrate British Columbia by means of the Yellow Head Pass, but that the C. P. R. also would apply for the necessary rights to construct another line into the province by that route, and thence to the head of Butte Inlet. The report before the Board of Trade asked that the government survey a line from the Yellow Head Pass to the west coast of Vancouver Island, in order that the best route for such a railway might be ascertained. Previous surveys had shown that there was a good route from the Pass mentioned to a point on the mainland off the Seymour Narrows; but full information as to the best line was not available. It was this, and also the best method and the cost of bridging to the Island, that the Board of Trade wished the Dominion government to investigate and incorporate in the national railway policy.

In the report of the transportation committee, the "approaches" to a bridge such as was proposed at Seymour Narrows had been referred to. The use of this term, he understood, meant the construction of lines on each side of the bridge which would necessarily be common to all railways making use of that means of reaching Vancouver Island. Of course the government would have to have control of these in order that they might be utilized by one railway corporation on the same basis as another.

Mr. Lugin concluded by expressing the hope that the report submitted would receive the endorsement of the board.

The Scarcity of Labor

Secretary Elworthy read a memorial from the Vancouver Board of Trade petitioning the provincial government to take some action to relieve the scarcity of labor existing throughout the province. The memorial follows:

Dear Sir:—Whereas, the question of the death of suitable labor for many industries and for domestic help throughout British Columbia, and the consequent serious effect in retarding the influx of capital and the development of our province, having been discussed by the Vancouver Board of Trade at its monthly meetings of 9th October and 4th November, it was resolved that a memorial be addressed to the Dominion and Provincial governments calling their attention to the matter as being urgent, and praying that steps may be taken to facilitate suitable immigration, it being

Further resolved, that copies of the memorial be circulated to the Boards of Trade and other representative bodies throughout the province, soliciting their cooperation and active support by having the same signed as widely as possible.

In accordance with the foregoing resolution, I beg to hand you the enclosed copy for the consideration of your body, and to state that this board will, at the same time, be glad to receive any particulars as to the special labor requirements of your

WEST COAST NEEDS

ARE NOT YET MET

Arrangement for Service by the Steamer Orion Said to Be Inadequate

The proposal made when the steam whaler Orion was brought to the Vancouver Island coast fifteen months ago by Capt. Balcom and associates to the marine department, whereby the vessel was to be used in lifesaving when necessary, was accepted by the minister of marine while Capt. Spratt Balcom was at Ottawa, and instructions have been given to the public works department for the construction of eight miles of telegraph line to connect Uchelet, on the main coast telegraph line, with Sechart whaling station in Barkley sound. Capt. Balcom agreed to carry the lifesaving equipment provided by the government and to proceed to the wrecked vessel when a call for aid is received.

This arrangement is not considered sufficient by those most interested in urging the government to take measures to protect life and property during the fierce storms of winter off the Island coast. The recommendation was of the Valencia commission, and other bodies, were that the Dominion government place a full-powered steamer at Bamfield creek during the winter months. The fact that the Quadra happened to be sheltering there on Dec. 7 when Mrs. Patterson went over the trail to give Capt. Hackett news of the wreck of the Valencia and plight of her crew resulted in ten lives being saved on that occasion.

Recently an appropriation of \$225,000 was made by the government for the construction of an additional steamer for the fishery protection service. Recommendations have since been made from British Columbia urging the marine department to have this steamer stationed during the winter months at Bamfield creek in readiness to succor any shipwrecked seamen whose vessels are in distress near or on the Vancouver Island coast. It was stated in the recommendations sent to Ottawa that the steamer Kestrel, now engaged in patrolling northern British Columbia waters, might have been well employed during the winter months, when few fishermen are at sea, in this service. The government is asked to use the proposed fishery cruiser to be built shortly for at least two months each winter in patrolling the west coast from a depot at Bamfield creek.

The recommendations made by the commission appointed by the Dominion government to investigate the Valencia wreck eleven months ago, also urged the necessity of building a trail on the coast between Port San Juan and Cape Beale at the easterly extremity of Barkley sound, a distance of about 25 miles. Numerous creeks cut the shoreline which would be bridged, though their bridge work would not involve great expense as the material is directly at hand. It was recommended that this trail be made so that mortar and rocket apparatus for lifesaving from shore could be carried day or night. Had this been possible when Messrs. Logan and others made their way to a cliff above where the Valencia lay with many victims in crooked boats, it would have been possible to save many lives. It is considered the apparatus could be carried by a pack animal.

It was further suggested that telegraph huts be established at intervals of eight miles on this trail and that a coastguard be in charge of each, with instructions to patrol the coastline between his station and the next at least once each day. With communication between the several telegraph huts and the main telegraph stations intelligence could thus be given speedily of a vessel in distress at any point on that section of the Island coast and the steamer stationed at Bamfield creek could be quickly sent to the rescue.

With regard to the establishment of lifesaving stations it was recommended to the government that a self-propelled boat be placed at Bamfield, and that surf-boats, similar to that established at Victoria, be placed at Clouose, Uchelet and Clayquot. Shipwrecks in the past in the vicinity of these places have shown with what advantage a surf lifeboat could be used. When the schooner Hera, which took fire at sea after her lime cargo had been flooded, ran toward Clayquot her crew were taken from the burning ship with difficulty by some residents of Clayquot who took out a Columbia river boat. Other occasions have also been mentioned when lifeboats would have been extremely useful in saving life.

It was at this time, following the loss of the steamer Valencia that proposals were renewed by the steam whaling company with the Dominion government for the construction of a telegraph line covering the eight or nine miles across to Sechart whaling station from the telegraph station at Uchelet. At that time the whaling company offered the services of the Orion, but nothing was done. Had the station been connected with the coast telegraph line at the time of the Valencia disaster the whaler could have been despatched at least 21 hours earlier, if not more, to the scene. It was not until the steamer Salvor sent from Esquimalt met the whaler in Barkley sound that Capt. Nelson and his crew were informed that a passenger steamer had gone ashore and rescue was so urgently needed.

It was recently reported from Ottawa that tenders have been invited for the construction of three surfboats, one of which it is proposed to place at Clouose, another at Uchelet, while the third will be carried on board the steamer Salvor with which the government has made an arrangement for salvage work. The new crew of the surfboat established at Victoria under Capt. Anderson, coxswain, will go out on Saturday for its first practice. Practices will thereafter be held every two weeks.

MONEY FOR ONTARIO.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—The Ontario government has been paid \$75,000 succession duties by the estate of the late E. B. Eddy. A claim was made for a quarter of a million dollars. A compromise is probable.

DRIVE PRISONERS CRAZY.

New York, Dec. 13.—A London despatch published here says a correspondent at Odessa, describing instances of police repression there, writes of one man who has just finished a six months' sentence in jail for a political offence, who throughout his imprisonment, night and day, had a phonograph fixed in his cell which unrelentingly ground out the Russian national anthem, "to reach him patriotism." He is now a hopeless idiot. Other prisoners have been confined in cells illuminated by a blinding blue light, with the result that they were made lunatics within a few months.

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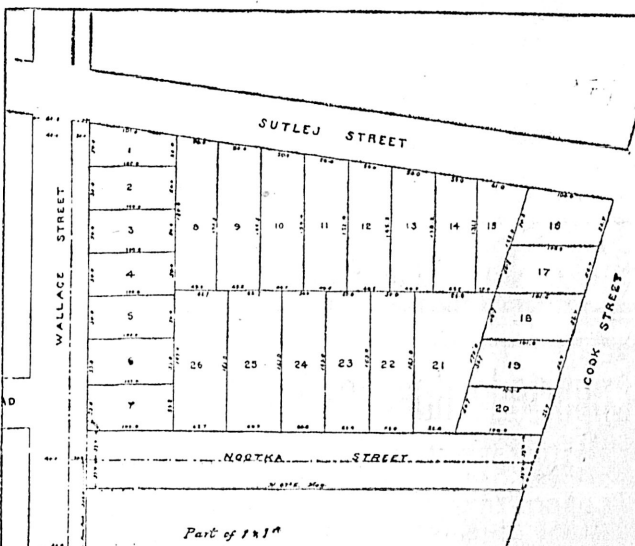
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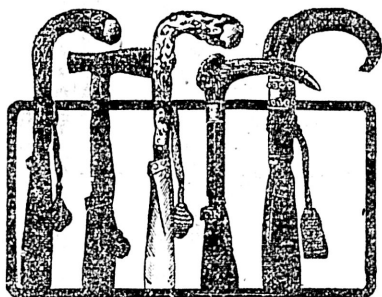
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Concert at Institute Hall in Aid
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Cathedral

At the Institute Hall last evening
Victoria amply made good her claim
to be considered the centre of intel-
lectual culture of the Coast. In no
other city in this province could a pro-
gramme be produced by local talent
alone, such as was heard at the con-
cert in aid of the St. Andrew's (R.C.)
Cathedral. So far as the individual
merits of the performers were con-
cerned, probably in no other city in
the Dominion—not even in Toronto,
which boasts of being the musical
head of Canada—could the programme
be excelled.

That the people of Victoria appre-
ciate good music was shown by the
attendance at the concert, and the at-
tention and liberal applause through-
out. The attendance was only limited
by the size of the hall. Reserved seats
sold out early, and a full hall long
before the time set for the commence-
ment of the programme all available
seats had been filled, and those who
came later had to stand along the back
of the hall. By the time the concert
commenced the crowd had overflowed
into the vestibule.

The programme was opened by the
singing of "God Save the King," by
the company. The first number was
"The Village Church," which was
rendered in splendid style by a
quartet composed of Mrs. H. Pooley,
Miss C. Spencer, Mr. A. P. Goward
and Mr. George Phillips. The com-
position is one of the author's sweetest,
and the singers did full justice to it.
They were enthusiastically applauded.

Mr. Arthur Gore rendered the stir-
ring ballad, "The Gallant Salamander,"
in good style, and as an encore gave
"The Message." Mr. Gore is the pos-
sessor of a pleasant baritone voice,
and as a ballad singer can be excelled
by few. He did not appear again in
the course of the evening.

It was in the third number of the
programme, however, that the audi-
ence at first awakened to what a

Our Druggist Tells Us.

We learn today that our local druggist,
Mr. Cyrus H. Hooper, has made a special
arrangement which carries with it an
agreement to keep in stock constantly a
full line of special prescriptions created
at the Laboratories of Dr. Shoop.

A novel, yet thoroughly practical and
newly created article has just been issued
from the Laboratories in question called
Lax Ets and is included as a part of the
arrangement made today by the drug-
gist in question. We refer to a prescrip-
tion put up in handy tablet form, for the
relief of constipation, sour stomach, bad
breath, sallow complexion, biliousness,
headaches, etc., etc. The novelty of Lax
ets arises from two or three sources. It
has not in the slightest, so far as taste is
concerned, that the article is a medi-
cine. It is candy in taste, and in appear-
ance. Again, Lax ets, are put up in beau-
tifully lithographed metal boxes, and re-
tail for the remarkably low price of 5
cents per box.

On the box is printed the ingredients,
consisting of Citrus Saguana, Egyptian
Senna, Solid Extract of French Prunes,
Slippery Elm Bark, and other highly
mentioned ingredients for the conditions
mentioned above.

A Candy Cold Cure put up in the same
style also sells at 5 cents per box and is
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larly of the new remedies, which cer-
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LABOR PARTY SELECTS FULTON AS CANDIDATE

Nominations at Ladysmith and
Nanaimo — Mayorality Con-
test at Latter City

Nanaimo, B. C., Dec. 13.—At a meet-
ing of the Independent Labor party held
at Ladysmith last night, attended by
about thirty delegates from that city and
the surrounding district, Hugh Fulton
was unanimously nominated as the can-
didate of the party in the coming provin-
cial elections. John Bickle moved the
nomination, which was seconded by An-
drew Bryden. A platform was intro-
duced and adopted by the meeting. The
platform advocates government owner-
ship of all Dominion, provincial and mu-
nicipal utilities, also urges the exclusion
of all undesirable emigrants, a universal
eight-hour day for all wage-earners, re-
trenchment in government expenditures
and reduction of taxes. The party also
strongly recommended that the govern-
ment assist settlers in clearing land in
the province. A committee of 24 men
shall be appointed with whom Mr.
Fulton will consult on questions of policy
which may arise in the future.

Shepherd Out Again

A well attended meeting of those op-
posed to J. H. Hawthornthwaite and
also to the McBride government met
last night in the labor party rooms, Victoria
Prescent and unanimously nomi-
nated Harry Shepherd to represent them
in the coming provincial election. Com-
mittees were appointed to look after the
financial end of the campaign, and plans
formed for the carrying on of an energetic
campaign. This will be Mr. Shep-
herd's second advent into the political
arena, having contested the last election
against Mr. Hawthornthwaite the Social-
ist candidate and Mr. Quennell the Con-
servative candidate.

Mayorality Contest

That there will be a contest for the
mayorality is now assured. Mayor Plam-
ta has announced that he will be a
candidate and Ald. Barlow, whose name
has been mentioned frequently in con-
nection with the office now announces
his candidature. Ald. Barlow says that
he is not seeking the office but is stand-
ing on the advice and persuasion of his
friends.

CLEANLY WOMAN.

Erroneously Thinks by Scouring Her
Scalp That She Cures Dandruff.

Cleanly woman has an erroneous idea
that by scouring the scalp, which re-
moves the dandruff scales, she is curing
the dandruff. She may wash her scalp
every day, and yet have dandruff her life
long, accompanied by falling hair, too.
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was purchased from the C. P. R. Steam-
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When completed the Yosemite will be
one of the largest excursion craft on
Puget Sound. The present deck and so-
cial hall house will be carried forward
flush with the bow and a large dancing
pavilion will be constructed. Work be-
gins shortly after the first of the year,
and will take until the middle of May,
so extensive are the repairs.

BANK CLEARINGS.

Calgary, Alta., Dec. 13.—The Calgary
bank clearings for the week amounted
to \$1,559,341.

STRENGTH COMES

Not From What You Eat, But From
What You Digest.

Most people eat most foods without
discrimination—it matters little what.
Few stop to think what that food does
for them. This is the first turn on the
road to dyspepsia. Reckless disregard
of the proper choice of foods, rapid eat-
ing and improper mastication, are the
unquestioned causes of all stomach dis-
orders from the slight ache to the ma-
lignant cancer.

There is nothing more revolting than
a dyspeptic stomach—a very vat for
putrefaction, sending forth its poison
throughout the entire system, depress-
ing the brain, befouling the breath, sour-
ing the taste, deadening the muscles,
inactivating the liver and kidneys for
their work, debilitating the heart, chok-
ing the lungs and clogging the bowels.

All of these disagreeable and danger-
ous conditions are due to the improper
digestion of food and the consequent
assimilation of poison. What else can
be expected? If the food lies in the
stomach, if the system is congested,
fermentation is the natural outcome. It
shows itself in sour watery risings,
belchings, heartburn and painful breath-
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condition. If the stomach refuses to
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the proposed increase of \$60,000,000 in
the capital stock of the Great North-
ern Railway Company, recently an-
nounced from Wall Street, is invalid,
and that as soon as the issue is actu-
ally begun the state will take action in
the matter.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—The
House has authorized an investigation
into the so-called lumber trust.

BUSCOMBE DECLINES.

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 13.—(Special)—
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ident and speaker to \$15,000; cabinet
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THE BOARD OF TRADE.

Yesterday's meeting of the Board of Trade was one of much interest, and demonstrates the value that this institution is to Victoria. A brief reference to the various subjects considered may not be untimely, especially as some more or less estimable people are disposed to think the Board's usefulness to be not nearly as great as it ought to be. This idea is due in part to the very slight interest taken in the affairs of the Board by the general public, and in part to a misunderstanding on the part of some people as to the nature of the Board and the scope of its operations. A Board of Trade is not a club for the discussion of public questions, but a body which deals with concrete subjects as they arise from time to time.

The matters considered yesterday were:

Life-saving on the West Coast. This has received a very great deal of consideration from the Board, and although much persistent effort has been required, it may be conceded that the desired work is now in a fair way to be carried out. The particular matter, with which the Board has specially concerned itself recently, is the construction of a wagon road, or at least a trail, from Carmanah Point to Cape Beale. For a time things looked as if there was no chance of securing this, but the word received from Mr. Templeman is to the effect that the Department of Marine and Fisheries will take it up. It was also stated at the Board, though unofficially, that another of the Board's recommendations, namely, that a telegraph or telephone line should be extended to Sechart, and that the services of the Orion would be thus made available in case of shipwreck, was about to be carried into effect. This will be a very valuable step towards the efficient protection of the coast, pending the establishment by the government of vessels specially fitted to go to the rescue of ships in distress. The Colonist has been very urgent in respect to these matters, and has expressed itself as strongly in respect to them as it knows how, and it has therefore much pleasure in saying that apparently good results are to follow from the agitation.

The second question discussed was the adoption by the government of the principle of free ports for Canada. In some minds this has been confused with the proposal to abolish compulsory pilotage dues at Victoria, but while the latter would be the result of the adoption of the policy of free ports, the question is a very much wider one. It affects all parts of Canada. The confusion referred to arises from the fact that this question of compulsory pilotage has been discussed in Victoria for several years, and when the Royal Transportation Commission was here, it was mentioned by a committee of the Board of Trade. The Commissioners investigated the matter as closely as they could, but said that it would be dealt with by them as a part of a general proposal to make all ports in Canada free. The resolution passed by the Board yesterday was in the nature of an endorsement of the Commission's recommendation, and although there was some reference during the debate to local pilotage matters, it was only incidental to the main question, and no deliverance was made by the meeting in regard thereto.

The third question was that of the Songhees Reserve. There is no doubt that the settlement of this matter is of increasing urgency. The Board felt unable to take any definite action owing to the lack of official information as to what Mr. Pedley had done and what he had recommended; but Mr. Templeman has been communicated with, and an effort will be made to impress the government through him with the necessity of immediate action of some kind.

The next subject taken up was the bridging of Seymour Narrows, when the Board reaffirmed its previous action in the matter and passed a resolution asking the government to make an appropriation to carry out the recommendation of the Royal Transportation Commission. There can be no doubt that in this matter the Board voices the sentiments of the entire community, except a few people, who, for reasons best known to themselves, feel called upon to discourage any extra pressure being brought to bear upon our representatives. Politics have no place in this matter, but we cannot forbear saying that those friends of the Minister of Inland Revenue are exceedingly ill-advised, who place him in the position of one, who does not desire to be pressed to take action in regard thereto. A representative may naturally not wish to be constantly urging a government to take any particular line of action; but when his constituents bring pressure to bear upon him, he has no other resource left, and his insistency will be respected by the government.

The shortage of labor is another subject which was brought under the notice of the Board. It is a very difficult

one, and mention is made of it here only for the purpose of illustrating the character of the questions which come up for solution. The day has arrived in the history of Victoria when every one, who has an interest in the welfare of the city, should give a little of his time to the subjects dealt with by the Board. In all growing cities, the Board of Trade is one of the most potent agencies for good, and we are quite sure that we express the sentiments of the active members of the Victoria organization, when we say that they would be more than pleased if every one would join with them in the effort to advance the welfare of Victoria.

THE COAST TRAIL.

The Minister of Marine and Fisheries has promised that an appropriation will be asked to provide for the building of a trail along a part of the West Coast for the aid of shipwrecked mariners. This announcement the Colonist made day before yesterday, and it was confirmed by a despatch to the Times last night. We repeat our suggestion, that the Minister should arrange so as to have the work begun at once, in order that there may be people along the coast this winter, who will be in a position to render ships assistance in some cases, perhaps, and who certainly may be able to rescue any unfortunate people who may be cast ashore. Now that the work has been decided upon, there ought to be no difficulty in doing this.

We observe that an effort is being made by Mr. Ralph Smith and a Victoria paper to cast aspersions upon Mr. McBride because he did not commit the provincial government to a share in the undertaking. It would be just as reasonable to cast reflections upon Mr. McBride because of the delay in the erection of lighthouses. We are surprised that no one has yet thought of blaming him for the delay in the construction of the Pachen light. Assuming that what Mr. McBride said has been correctly reported, all it amounts to, at the very outside, is an expression of doubt on his part as to whether or not a road can be placed near enough to the shore to be of service. We think this is a mistaken view, but cannot for the life of us see what bearing it has upon the subject. There was absolutely no reason for approaching Mr. McBride. The protection of the coast does not come within the jurisdiction of the local legislature, and the suggestion that this province should pay a part of the cost of such protection was utterly unreasonable. Such a proposal would have been made to no other province, but apparently British Columbia must always expect exceptional treatment, except in those cases in which she is entitled to it. The Dominion government has recognized its responsibility in the premises, and it is rather a mean piece of business to excuse delay in this recognition by attempting to represent Mr. McBride as opposing it. Mr. Brodeur, in referring to the matter, said that he was unable to secure Mr. McBride's co-operation in the building of the road partly as a colonization project. He ought not to have expected to do so, because the nature of the country is such that if a road were built that would be useful as a colonization basis, it would necessarily be too far from the shore to be of any service for life-saving purposes. This we understand to have been Mr. McBride's position, and it is perfectly tenable. What is not easy to understand is that view of politics, which leads any public man to seek to make political capital out of it. The Colonist has for its part strictly avoided anything that could be construed into such. It has dealt with the matter from a humanitarian point of view, and it is glad to say that what it has worked for is to be accomplished. It does not claim to have brought about the accomplishment, but it has at least the satisfaction of knowing that it is the only newspaper in British Columbia which has contended for this important safeguard to navigation.

CONCERNING NAMES.

That which we call a rose, by any other name would smell as sweet; but, unless you would incur the wrath of the Geographical Board of Canada, you had better get a copy of its Sixth Report, and study it. For example, if in writing a letter to your best girl you should unfortunately say that "Asinithebast is a lake in the Abittibi district, lying west of Chibougamou," you would at once become entitled to go to the foot of the class. What you should write is: "Asinithebast is in a lake in the Abittibi district, lying west of Chibougamou." How you should pronounce it we leave to the imagination; but perhaps if you met a man from Chibougamou, he might be able to tell you. It will relieve a great deal of anxiety in the first circles of the land to know that it is not good form to say Cayke-quahbe-kung, but that the simple little word Kekkekawabi will meet all the requirements of the case; and if any of your friends should speak of Chisauat-aisi, when he means Sassawatisi, you will be justified in concluding at once that he does not move in your set. There is, however, in every depth a deeper deep, or words to that effect, and incredible as it may appear, there are some misguided people who will persist in saying Kangerthialuksoak, when they ought to say George, and who have been known to say Kapemichigama, even when there were ladies present, instead of that far better word, Kapemitchigama. And the Board has unearthed a case of still deadlier depravity in the person of some one, who has said Kawasheibemagagamak, when the proper term to use is Washeibemaga. This is

DOG MEDICINES

We have just renewed our stock of Blackman's (Norwich, Eng.) Celebrated Dog Medicines—the kind with fifty years of use behind them. RACKHAM'S DISTEMP- PER BALLS; RACKHAM'S JAPANESE WORM BALLS AND POWDERS; RACKHAM'S TONIC CONDITION BALLS; RACKHAM'S CATARRHIC BALLS; RACKHAM'S PURGING BALLS; RACKHAM'S DIARRHOEA BALLS. 25c. per package, or 37c. postpaid.

SHOTBOLT'S PIONEER DRUG STORE, 59 Johnson St., Victoria, B.C.

worse than that saying Kawasigisuegat, when in the bottom of your heart you mean Kawasigisuegat. But why prolong the tale? It jars upon our innermost feelings like Kler48(Imahrgsusi.

Canada can at last claim a million people west of the Great Lakes.

A very extensive coal mining enterprise is to be established in the vicinity of Edmonton. What a wonderful country ours is! On every side are the raw materials of national greatness.

The General Manager of the Bank of Montreal says that "we are still in the flood tide of prosperity," and Sir George Drummond, the President of the institution, says: "Beyond question the general condition is one of general prosperity." Seeing that this bank has paid a dividend of 10 per cent. and added \$1,000,000 to its rest, the strong words of its officers may well be taken at their face value.

Ontario is very much disturbed because of the prevalence of typhoid and it is generally conceded that its presence is due entirely to the impure water supplied to many of the cities and towns. Extensive filtration works are to be installed in a number of places. Victoria ought to take heed to what is transpiring elsewhere when it comes to taking steps towards making further large expenditures on her water plant.

The Georgian Bay canal, says Mr. Adolphe Lemieux, one of the Ottawa ministry, is a thing of the near future. This canal will cost a vast sum of money. The points that it will unite are already connected by the Great Lakes and two or three railway lines. But the people want the canal, and they are going to get it. They do not charge each other with inviting ridicule or not exhibiting common sense.

It will surprise most people to learn that more immigrants settled in Ontario during the year than in Alberta and Saskatchewan, and that more went to Quebec than to either of the two new provinces. We are rather glad of this, for it means that new people are coming from Europe to populate the eastern provinces, which in their turn are sending out Canadians to occupy the greatest. This is as it ought to be.

The president of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers claims to have discovered an "art" by which the output of nearly every factory can be doubled without increasing the number of employees or materially altering the machinery. He does not go into any great particulars, but says that he has been experimenting for 26 years and has spent \$200,000 in the work. He claims to have got machine work down to an "exact science."

Quebec, says the Toronto Telegram, with her solid sixty-five members will be offset after 1910 by the West and its more than sixty-five members. While this is true, and while the political dominance of Quebec is certain to disappear at an early day, it must always be remembered that there will be strong party lines in the West. It is really surprising how closely Eastern people adhere to their old party lines even after they have come to a part of Canada, where the old causes for difference do not exist.

In thirty years the imports of Canada have risen from \$80,000,000 in value to \$256,000,000 and the imports from \$93,000,000 to \$294,000,000. This is a wonderful growth, and the figures for last year are amazing when we consider that we have not more than 6,000,000 people in Canada. As a matter of fact Canadians are the richest people in the world per capita, and do a greater volume of trade per capita than any except those of the British Isles. In addition to this we possess the greatest possibilities of any nation. Hurrah for Canada.

British Columbia has an ideal mining law, says a Toronto contemporary. It contrasts our law with that of Ontario, saying that whereas in Ontario the lawyers have to settle every mining title, and whether one is finally obtained or not is a question of government policy, in British Columbia the miner does his own staking and advertising and only the courts have a right to say whether or not his claim is valid. Our mining laws have long been recognized as at least as good as any in the world and a great deal better than most. They were framed by practical men.

The most irresponsible creature on earth is a United States senator. One of the tribe, Senator Hansborough, of North Dakota, said the other day that if Japan went to war with the United States and took the Philippines, the United States would march an army across the border and take Canada. This is supremely silly, but nothing is too silly for a United States senator. As for the capture of Canada, that might be a very much more difficult task than some of our neighbors imagine. Who is it who said: "Nothing can enslave a million men determined to be free."

Yesterday the Daily news of New Westminster contributed its share to the agitation for the improvement of the life-saving appliances for the West Coast, by describing them as ghastly attempts to make political capital. The News ought to be ashamed of itself. It will doubtless be grieved to learn that the works for which the ghouls, as it is pleased to regard those people, who be-

WEILER BROS.

BEDROOM CARPETS

We have a large quantity of new arrivals in this section. We invite your inspection; we take a delight in showing these useful carpets; fresh from the most celebrated looms, and would particularly draw your attention to the following:

All Wool English Squares

Are universally acknowledged to be of the most useful bedroom floor coverings; they cost a little more but are cheaper in the end.

2½ yards x 3 yards, at	\$10.00
3 yards x 3 yards, at	12.00
3 yards x 3½ yards, at	14.00
3 yards x 4 yards, at	16.00
3 yards x 4½ yards, at	18.00
4 yards x 4 yards, at	21.50
4 yards x 4½ yards, at	24.00
4 yards x 5 yards, at	30.00

WE ALSO HAVE A VERY FINE SELECTION OF

Maple Squares, Victor Squares, Standard Squares

Kanata Squares

These are all very reliable and more economical in prices. They are all the latest productions in design, coloring and workmanship.

Hodge's Fibre Carpets

Are SANITARY, Washable and Reversible; they can be scrubbed on the floor; they are the very latest in sanitary floor covering. PRICES ARE 70c and 75c per yard. There are some pretty designs in these hygienic carpets.

For Surrounds

We have large stocks of JAPANESE and China Matting, at 20c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c and 50c per yard, with SPECIAL values Inserted Matting at 30c per yard.

For those who prefer Linoleum for surrounds, we have the largest stock in Western Canada for their selection. Some of the Inlaid Patterns look and wear like Inlaid Wood Flooring.

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They Are Unsurpassed At The Price. They Last, Literally For Generations. They Are Genuine. Honest All Through.

Extra Large, 70x84; weight, 7 lbs., per pair\$6.50
Extra Large, 72x90; weight, 8 lbs., per pair\$7.00
Extra Large, 76x90; weight, 9 lbs., per pair\$8.00
Extra Large, 80x93; weight, 10 lbs., per pair\$9.00

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Pure Saxony Wool.

SIZE, 30x40, per pair, ..\$2.35
SIZE, 36x56, per pair\$3.00
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"Compare these Prices with what you pay for Blankets which only last you a year or two and are undersized."

We Gladly Welcome Your Personal Inspection.

Henry Young & Co.

SILK BLOUSES SALE

Extraordinary Bargains

China Silk Blouses—Fancy tucked fronts; in Black, Blue and Navy. Regular price, \$3.75. Special sale\$2.00
Black and White China Silk Blouses—Very prettily trimmed with Valenciennes Lace Insertion. Regular \$4.25. Special sale.....\$2.00
Silk Blouses—Very daintily trimmed with eyelet embroidery, long and short sleeves. Regular \$4.50 and \$5.50. Special sale.....\$2.50
Extra Fine Quality Black and White Silk Blouses—Very beautifully trimmed with eyelet silk embroidery. Regular \$6.50. Special sale.....\$3.00

Important Notice

EVERY BLOUSE in this sale is in THIS season's latest styles. The Goods have only just been unpacked. It is a great opportunity for the ladies of Victoria.

Open every evening until 9.30 o'clock

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DRESS GOODS, MILLINERS, DRESSMAKING, Etc.
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AT LONDON TODAY

Pelts Valued at Over \$350,000
Will Be Offered to the
World's Buyers

COMOSUN BACK FROM NORTH

Leelanaw Reaches Seattle With Two
Brothers in Tow—Abandoned
Bark Melanope Picked Up

Today 12,391 salted sealskins taken by the Victorian sealing fleet in Bering Sea and on the British Columbian coast during the past year will be offered for sale by C. M. Lampson & Co., of London, Eng., and at the same time Goad, Rigg & Co. will offer for sale 2,500 skins taken by the fleet of schooners sailing from Halifax (in which the Victorians are interested), off Cape Horn, the Falkland islands, and the Uruguayan coast. The same firm will also sell 4,000 skins from the rookeries of Lobos island. The catch of the Japanese sealing fleet in Bering and Okhotsk seas did not reach London in time for the annual sealskin sale. The thirty-three casks brought by the steamer Antiochus from Yokohama and sent hurriedly across the continent for rush shipment from New York also failed to arrive in time.

If the sealskins to be sold today by auction bring as high a price as at the sale last December the price realized by the skins taken by the Victorian sealers and the coast Indians, who sent about 1,200 of the total, will realize \$339,775. The average price paid last year was \$25 for each pelt.

The annual sale of furs by C. M. Lampson & Co. is the largest of the kind in the world and attracts buyers each year from many countries, Russians for the fur centres, such as Nishni-Novgorod and elsewhere; French buyers from Paris and other northern points, Germans, Scandinavians and Danes; from all fur-buying countries with the exception of the United States. The skins taken by pelagic sealers cannot be sold in the latter country where only the pelts taken from the seal rookeries leased by the North American Commercial company on St. Paul and St. George islands of the Pribilofskis in Bering sea can be marketed. About 12,000 skins are available for sale in the United States this year.

CAMOSUN RETURNS

Bringing Passengers and News of Activity in Northern Towns.

Steamer Camosun, of the Union Steamship company, reached port yesterday from Maple Bay, Portland canal and way ports of the northern British Columbia coast with 49 salmon passengers, after a stormy trip. The steamer will sail north again tonight, taking many shipments of Christmas goods, and much general freight. Among the passengers will be twenty carpenters for Prince Rupert to assist in construction of the new hotel for which lumber was taken north by the Amos, Prince Rupert and Camosun from Chemainus. Ten carpenters were taken to Prince Rupert on the last trip. Much work, principally on store and house buildings was being carried on at the northern town. At Maple Bay also things are brisk. The Brown-Alaska mine being worked full blast. This mine is shipping 100 tons of ore to the smelter at Hadley, Alaska, daily.

The heavy gale of Dec. 6 was encountered by the Camosun at Bella Coola and, despite the fact that the vessel was in inland waters she was tossed considerably and obliged to tie up for the night. Considerable snow was encountered in the north. At Kimsquit the steamer landed machinery for the new cannery being established there by Buttmer & Dawson.

Among the passengers of the steamer were: John Oliver, M. P. P., who has been to the Skeena district; L. B. Joseph and E. McCallum, interested in a proposed pulp industry at Swanson bay; G. C. Brown, D. Winchester, Sam Swift, P. Cook, H. Silverman, A. Wamsberg, J. Wilson, C. Elliott, Miss Atkins, Miss Greer, Mrs. Porter and child, H. Draine, Mrs. Draine and child, Frank and Mrs. Draine, A. Copeland, Mr. Swaby, A. E. Williams, J. H. Nolan, M. McLaren, F. Treut, G. Wilson, H. Haggard, J. Rushford, Mitchell, George Grondie, C. Harrison, H. Swaby, Mr. Powell, W. F. Best, A. V. Hamilton, W. Willisroff, Ben Willisroff, H. Gibbs, R. D. Elliott, M. M. English, manager of the Balmoral cannery, C. H. Williams, D. P. Dunoghue, and H. Morrison.

HOLLY AND MISTLETOE.

Local Demand for Same for Yuletide Decorations Is Very Great.

With the approach of the Christmas season, a demand has arisen for the sprigs of holly, indissolubly associated with Yule tide, and local florists are buying up all they can get. They are paying good prices, especially for branches with lots of berries, and the men who values the hard cash more than the beauty of his holly trees, has no difficulty in disposing of all he cares to sell. The prices paid by the florists vary according to the quality, but when it comes to selling the branches back to the public one price will reign all over the town. Victorians who want to decorate their houses according to the old established custom will have to pay seventy-five cents a pound.

As regards mistletoe, in the opinion of many, a much more important adjunct of this Yule tide celebrations than the holly, the florists state that the supply threatens to be somewhat short. All the mistletoe sold in the local stores, comes from California. So far none has been received, although several consignments are on the way.

LEELANAW ARRIVES.

Steamer Reached Seattle Yesterday With Bark Two Brothers.

Steamer Leelanaw, Capt. Meyer, reached Seattle at 4 p. m. yesterday according to a telegram received by the Pacific Freighting company, with the bark Two Brothers, recently purchased by the Victoria company at San Francisco to be dismantled and used as a barge, in tow. The Leelanaw had a rough trip.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Wellington is at Ladysmith from Skagway and will load coal for San Francisco.

Steamer Tremont, which left Yokohama for this port on December 7, is due next Thursday.

The Corsair, a small vessel which left Seattle for Catalina, Alaska, has been condemned at Kotiklikan. The vessel's engines were too powerful for her hull, and she was practically shaken to pieces on the way to Kotiklikan.

The steamer Aorangi is due from Australia, via Suva and Honolulu, next Wednesday. James Wilson, superintendent of C. P. R. telegraphs, who went to Australia on a holiday trip, is returning by the Aorangi.

Victoria Daily Weather

Thursday, Dec. 13.

Highest..... 46
Lowest..... 37
Mean..... 41
Sunshine, 2 hours, 12 min.

Victoria Weather

NOVEMBER.

Highest temperature... 56.1
Lowest temperature... 30.4
Mean temperature... 44.03
Total precipitation for the month, 6.13 inch; average amount, 4.69. Total rainfall for 1906 to date, 23.67 inches.

Bright sunshine, 76 hours and 6 minutes; mean daily proportion, 0.27 (constant sunshine being 1).

CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR WEST COAST HEROINE

Subscription List Opens at Colonist Office—Those Who Have Contributed

The subscription list which was opened at the Colonist office under the auspices of the Local Council of Women, who purpose presenting Mrs. Thomas Paterson, the heroine of Cape Beale, with a purse as a Christmas present, stands as follows. Any person who feels so inclined is invited to contribute

The Colonist	\$10.00
Mrs. C. F. Todd	10.00
Captain Curtis, R. N.	1.00
D. R. Ker	5.00
Capt. H. F. Brown	5.00
P. W. Baylis	1.00
Thomas Davis	2.50
H. Stadungen	1.00

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OF INTEREST TO MOTHERS.

There is one subject which always interests the mothers of young children, and that is how to treat their coughs and colds, or to ward off a threatened attack of croup. For this purpose we can recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It always proves beneficial. In cases of croup it should be given as soon as the croupy cough appears so as to prevent the attack. Keep it at hand ready for instant use. Many mothers do so and it saves them much uneasiness. For sale by all druggists.

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SAMPLE OF
MAPLEINE
(The Syrup Maker.)

Mailed to any address on receipt of 2c. stamp for return of postage.

Don't Miss This!

FOR ONE PINT OF SYRUP.

Dissolve 2 cups of sugar in one cup of water and add the sample of Mapleine.

Total cost for one gallon, 60c.

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"New Things" In Trousers

Each succeeding season sees the standard of Fit-Reform Garments raised higher.

This is especially true of Trousers.

Cloths are richer—patterns handsomer—colorings more striking—than Fit-Reform has ever imported before.

Coupled with the beauty of the goods is the peerless Fit-Reform tailoring. That is a combination that the well-dressed man finds irresistible.

Prices \$3, \$4, \$5, \$6, \$7, \$8.

Free with every pair of trousers, an "Ideal trouser hanger."

73 Government Street

BUSINESS PROPERTIES ARE MUCH IN DEMAND

Real Estate Agents Say Inquiry Is Continuous—Transactions of Yesterday

"If the recognized business district in Victoria were three times as large as it is at present, every piece of property available would change hands at increasing figures several times before spring," said a well known real estate man yesterday. A tour of the realty offices proved the correctness of this statement. Inquiries are made every day for business properties, and the demand cannot be met. The present owners feel they have too good things to let go except at sharply increased figures.

This state of affairs has caused more attention to be paid to residential sites in the city and fruit and agricultural lands on the outskirts. Pemberton & Son have disposed of about \$50,000 worth of property within the past few days. The principal single sale was 34 acres at Poul Bay for \$22,000, about \$700 per acre. Among other sales by the same firm were 6 lots in the Chandler estate, \$3,500; lot on Pandora avenue, \$3,500; three 30-foot lots on Churchway, \$3,000; 12 acres, corner of Oscar and Moss streets, \$2,100; lot at Oak Bay, \$2,000; 2 acres in same district, \$1,500; 4 lots in Pearce estate, \$1,350; 2 lots on Fairfield road, \$800; 2 lots on North Pandora street, \$700; 2 lots on Cowan avenue, \$350, and an unimproved farm of 183 acres in the Saanich district, \$1,500.

The B. C. Information agency sold two small pieces of acreage property, for fruit raising, on the new road between Oak and Shoal Bays, at a good figure; and several parcels for the same purpose in Saanich. A deal is also in course of negotiation for a large acreage in the same vicinity and several pieces of inside property.

The northern boundary of the city was the location of a sale made yesterday by H. H. Jones & Co. It consisted of 26 lots, adjoining the city limits, opposite the junction of Talmie avenue and Douglas street. The price realized was \$4,000, the purchaser being a recent arrival from Winnipeg.

Among the sales by the Dominion Real Estate exchange yesterday were 10 acres in the Work estate, that brought between \$4,000 and \$7,000, to recent arrival from Winnipeg, and a lot abutting on the parliament buildings grounds, for \$1,700.

INCREASES PAY.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 13.—General Superintendent Clarke of the Delaware & Western Railway today announced a 10 per cent increase of wages of all employees in the transportation department of the company, effective January 1 next.

ADVANCE LUMBER PRICES.

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 13.—(Special)—At a meeting of the British Columbia Lumbermen's Association here today it was decided to advance the price of lumber from \$2 to \$3 per thousand in different grades. The reason given is the scarcity and high price of logs.

LARGE CEMENT PLANT.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 13.—A large cement plant to cost several hundred thousand dollars will probably be built in the province as the result of negotiations which are being carried on in the city today by American capitalists from Grand Forks.

MAINLAND and BRITISH LION CIGARS

WHOLESALE

SIMON LEISER & CO.
E. A. MORRIS

VICTORIA, B.C.

THE STAGE.

"Richard III" Coming

The announcement of the production of "King Richard the Third" at the Victoria theatre next Monday, with the eminent tragedian John Griffith in the title role, promises a great deal to the admirers of Shakespearean drama. Nature has peculiarly fitted Mr. Griffith for this most strenuous of stage portraiture. He has the physical and mental qualities that are ideal for it; in fact, no actor since the days of the peerless Edwin Forrest is so well equipped for this complex and animated character. Mr. Griffith's supporting company is excellent, and his scenic, electrical and mechanical equipment will prove quite a revelation to local theatre-goers. Referring to this production, the Lewiston Tribune said: John Griffith and "King Richard III." make a happy combination and together last night they delighted one of the largest audiences seen in the Temple theatre this season. Griffith is without doubt one of the greatest tragedians on the American stage today, and he has reached the pinnacle in Shakespeare's classic drama. With a magnificent voice, splendid physique and pleasing naturalness, the great actor carried his audience through the six long acts. There is that about Griffith which keeps one from tiring; his rapidly changing facial expression, his modulated tone, all tend to keep the eye riveted on him.

William Lloyd, who played the dual roles of Buckingham and Richmond, proved a sterling player. Emily Clifton, the little girl who played the part of the Duke of York, one of the two little princes made away with by Richard, is deserving of praise for her pleasing portrayal of the role. Miss Ruth Gadsby made an excellent impression as Queen Elizabeth, and the other ladies of the company were very good.

The scenic effects were of rare beauty. The electrical features of the second scene in the last act—Richard's dream scene upon a Lewiston stage. The costumes were beautiful and of historic interest.

In appreciation of Mr. Griffith's visit to the Normal college yesterday morning, the faculty and students presented him with a beautiful bouquet of carnations during the performance last night.

The New Grand

Cooke & Miss Rothbert, who head the bill at the New Grand this week, take their audiences by storm at every performance. Cooke is a long way the funniest man who has ever appeared at the Grand, and he has the benefit of association with quite the prettiest and daintiest little soubrette imaginable in the bargain, and they do their business with a dash and vivacity which earns the heartiest applause. Other good numbers on the bill are Joe Belmont, the world renowned whistler, the author of all the noted whistling phonograph records, "Tom and Jerry"; Chas. McDonald, "The Irish Bean Brummel"; Frederic Roberts in illustrated song, and a good series of moving pictures.

Each tiny grain of **WINDSOR TABLE SALT** is a perfect crystal—pure and dry. That is why it never cakes.

CAMPBELL'S

New Ladies' Golfers

A MOST EXCELLENT SHOWING of the very latest creations in Golfers. These goods are now unpacked and ready for your inspection.

At \$3.25, in Navy, Black, Cardinal and White, with turned collar and cuffs

At \$4.25, in White, with Navy Blue Collars and cuffs, and very effective spot stripe.

At \$4.50, in White only with deep reverses and embroidered buttons, making a most attractive golfer.

At \$4.75, in White only, collars, cuffs and bust very beautifully trimmed in Forget-Me-Not border.

Dressing Sacques

IN COTTON EIDERDOWN, warm and comfortable, in delicate pinks, blues, grays, cardinal and heliotrope, very easy and warm the regular prices for which are \$1.50 and \$1.75. Special price for this week end,

\$1.00 Each

IN WOOL EIDERDOWN, extra quality, regular price \$2.50. Special price to this week end,

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EIDERDOWN ROBES, very pretty, warm and comfortable. Suitable for Xmas gifts at

\$3.50, \$9.00, \$12.75 and \$15.00.

SILK BLOUSE SALE

EXTENDS to the end of this week and embraces all the new silk blouses just arrived and advertised yesterday; see windows for several samples; then step inside our showrooms and note the wonderful value at

\$2.75 \$3.75, \$4.75 and \$5.75

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We beg to call your special attention to our new stock of

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Local News

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Roll Call Meeting.—Tonight Far West Lodge K. of P. will hold its annual roll call meeting, at which all brothers living in the city are expected to be present.

Subscription Dance.—Mrs. Norton's next private subscription dance will be held in the A. O. U. W. hall on Friday, Jan. 14th. It is to be a poude and snow dance.

S. P. C. A. Meeting.—The annual meeting of the Victoria branch of the British Columbia society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has been postponed until Wednesday, Dec. 19th in the city hall.

Late George Duncan.—Officers and members of Columbia lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F., are requested to meet at the lodge rooms this afternoon at 2 o'clock for the purpose of attending the funeral of their late brother, George Duncan.

Stationary Engineers.—Twenty-two candidates are writing for certificates as stationary engineers at the examinations being held in the parliament buildings. It is expected the papers will all be concluded by tomorrow afternoon.

Bank Bonus.—There was joy amongst the members of the staff of the local branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce yesterday, when the news went around that the cash for the annual bonus, presented by the bank to all its employees, had arrived. The bonuses are given out at Christmas time in all the branches of the bank throughout Canada. They vary from \$50 to \$600.

Death of Mrs. Shandley.—The death occurred yesterday morning at the residence of Peter Shandley, Menzies street, of Mrs. Elizabeth Shandley, a native of Liverpool, England. Deceased was 24 years of age, leaves, besides her husband, Harold Shandley, a mother and several brothers and sisters. The funeral has been arranged to take place tomorrow at 2 o'clock from the residence. Services will be held at Christ Church cathedral at 2:30.

St. Francis Hotel.—The St. Francis hotel is now open for the reception of guests, and the proprietors, Messrs. Weeks and Rolph solicit a share of the patronage of local as well as the traveling public. Special attention is being given to the dining room, which has been renovated and re-arranged, and the cuisine, under the personal supervision of Mr. Weeks, will be made a strong feature of the house and will be found second to none in the province at the price.

Green-Worlock Estate.—It is not definitely settled when the forthcoming 20 or 25 per cent dividend of the Green-Worlock estate will be declared, although it is possible this happy event to depositors will take place before the end of the year. Trustee Bernard Heisterman stated yesterday the dividend was contingent upon payment of certain monies due the estate. As some of the individual awards made at the Royal Horticultural association show to fruit exhibits from the province of British Columbia in addition to the gold medal taken by the province, were as follows: Bank-sian medals, silver, Sterling and Pittman, J. R. Brown, silver, gilt, Mrs. John Smith, and P. C. Earl; bronze, James Ritchie, Kelowna Farmers' Exchange, and Nelson Fruit Growers' association; Knightian medals, silver, Goldstream estate, James Gartrell and James Johnston, Nelson.

London Fruit Exhibit.—A Canadian Associated Press despatch appearing in Winnipeg exchanges says that the individual awards made at the Royal Horticultural association show to fruit exhibits from the province of British Columbia in addition to the gold medal taken by the province, were as follows: Bank-sian medals, silver, Sterling and Pittman, J. R. Brown, silver, gilt, Mrs. John Smith, and P. C. Earl; bronze, James Ritchie, Kelowna Farmers' Exchange, and Nelson Fruit Growers' association; Knightian medals, silver, Goldstream estate, James Gartrell and James Johnston, Nelson.

Aftermath of Storm.—The Nanaimo Free Press in its issue of Wednesday says: "A storm from over the Atlantic Nanaimo road report an unprecedented amount of timber in the way of travel. The most of this had fallen in the vicinity of Cameron lake. Old islanders say they never saw so much fallen timber during all their experience on the island. The government wire between here and Alberni has not been lost sight of. The cable wire has been down for many hours, but is now in working order again, but the wire is running through the bush any old way so long as messages can be got through. The present break in the cable wire across the lake caused by the storm means many thousands of dollars loss to the cable company."

Funeral Today.—The funeral of the late Mrs. W. A. Dier will take place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence, 45 Fernwood road. Rev. E. Leroy Daykin will officiate. For upwards of six years deceased had suffered from cancerous trouble. About six weeks ago an operation was performed by Dr. O. M. Jones at the Jubilee hospital, but it was found impossible to remove the whole of the trouble, and about ten days ago she was removed to her home, where she gradually sank. She is survived by her husband, she leaves a family of four children, Dr. Elmore Dier, of Philadelphia; Dr. Harry Dier, the well known dentist of this city; Dr. Roy Dier, of Ladysmith and Miss Agnes Dier. The latter is an accomplished musician, and presided for some years at the organ of Emmanuel church.

Good, Strong English Toys just arrived at The Beehive, 81 Douglas street. Big wooden engines, trucks, English oil wardrobes and chest drawers. These are well made.

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Carnegie Library.—A month's experience of the opening of the Carnegie Public Library on Sunday afternoon and evening, has demonstrated that the innovation is much appreciated by working-men of the city. Inquiry yesterday elicited the fact that each week has shown a marked increase in the attendance. Last Sunday the reading room was filled most of the time.

Stonecutters Aid.—At a meeting of the Stonecutters' Association of Victoria, held last night in Labor Hall, a grant of \$25 was made to the Anti-Tuberculosis Society in aid of the proposed sanatorium. The mover of the resolution said, in moving that the grant be made, the stonecutters hoped the other societies and organizations of the province would be stimulated to make similar grants.

Fire Alarms.—At 3 p. m. yesterday the fire department was summoned to View street, just back of the Institute hall, where a small shack was in flames. The building was badly damaged by the time the flames had been extinguished. The occupant was one Ah Sing, a Chinaman. A second, run at 6 p. m., was in response to a false alarm turned in from the corner of Richmond and Cadboro Bay roads.

Membership Contest.—The membership contest at the Y. M. C. A., in which much interest has been aroused, closes, nominally at 10 o'clock tomorrow evening. The winning side will be entitled to the directors' oyster supper. R. W. Clark's trophy will be given the member bringing in the highest number of applications during the month. Tomorrow night the reduced rates of membership discontinue, and the regular rates go into force.

Laid to Rest.—A large number attended yesterday afternoon at the funeral of the late David E. Winchester, which took place from the parlors of W. J. Hanna. Rev. Mr. Gibson conducted services and the following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. C. Francis, J. Byers, C. Richardson and S. Warren. There were a number of beautiful floral tributes, one being from the proprietors of the cement works, where the deceased was employed.

Successful Bazaar.—The Lord Bishop of Columbia yesterday afternoon officiated at the opening of the bazaar in Seaside hall, Victoria West, under the auspices of the ladies of St. Saviour's church. The many pretty booths and stalls were patronized by the large number in attendance. Last evening a concert programme was rendered under the direction of the young ladies of the church, the attendance again being very large and the sales highly satisfactory.

The Canadian Club.—At a meeting of the executive held yesterday afternoon at the rooms of the Victoria Development and Tourist Association, it was decided to leave the charter membership of the newly organized Canadian Club open until the New Year. President McCurdy occupied the chair and there was a large attendance. Reports were received from a number of committees, all of which were adopted after some discussion. It was agreed, in considering the question of membership, that the club would be open to all Victorians wishing to join until the beginning of January. After that applications will be balloted upon before admission is granted. Other details were dealt with before the adjournment.

Xmas Presents for Baby.—Wool Jackets, Gaiters, Hoods, Pyjamas, Booties, Infantes, Bibs, Cashmere Sox and Hose, Robinson's Cash Store.

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Miss Edith G. Cowper will hold an exhibition and sale of hand painted china at her residence, corner Clarence avenue and Niagara street, on Friday and Saturday, 14th and 15th.

Xmas Presents for Mother and Sister.—Lace Silk Collars and Ties, Kid Gloves, Cashmere Gloves, Hosiery, Shawls, Cloves, Fascinators, Corsets, French Flannel Vestings, Wrappers, Skirts, Tartans, Blankets, Comforters, Quilts, Robinson's Cash Store.

Live Stock Sale.—Messrs. Williams & Junion held a sale of livestock, etc., yesterday at Mr. Eskine's farm on the Carey Road—Fair prices were obtained. A registered Guernsey bull realized \$85. Cows sold from \$25 to \$52.50 each. Heifers, \$15 to \$25. Goats, \$2.25 to \$2.50 each; 100 to \$12.50; sow in pig, \$28; chickens brought good prices; 1000 lay in the barn from \$8.25 to \$9.50 per ton; oats, \$22 per ton. Although several good horses were offered, no bids were forthcoming and so they were withdrawn. A large number of buyers were present and amongst those present were noticed Mr. Justice Hunter, Messrs. Bull, Lamb, Brickford, Linker, Wales, Roach, R. Holmes, Bagshaw, Southurst, J. and G. Rogers, Martin, Lidston, Quick, Fisher, Alexander, Munroe, Whitty, G. Jones, Morant, Clarke, Wells, Sam Jones, Rice, Martin, McKay, Mould and many others. Mr. Stewart Williams who conducted the sale, got through his work quickly as excellent arrangements were made by Mr. Eskine for selling.

Xmas Presents for Dad and the Dear Baby.—Ties, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Braces, Belts, Skirts, Sweaters, Wool Mitts, Underwear, Robinson's Cash Store.

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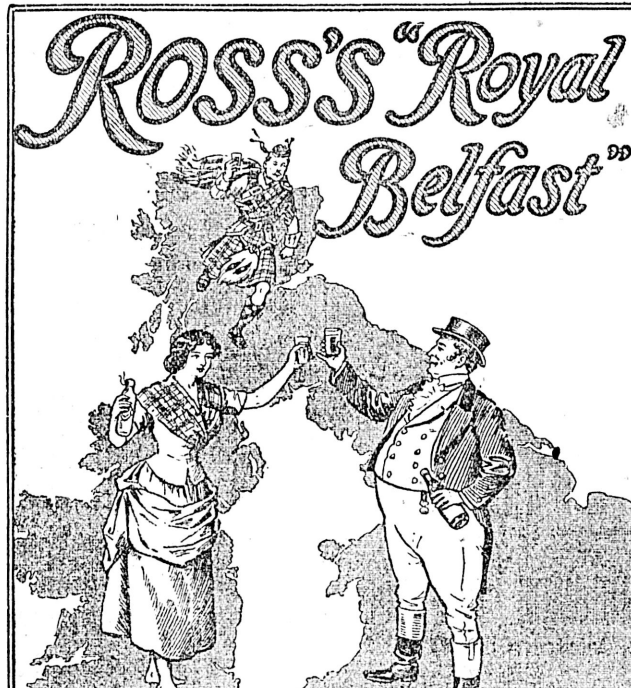
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CHICAGOANS TAKING UP CASSIAR MINES

Acquire a Controlling Interest in Group of Copper Claims on Haskins Mountain

The first payment in the most important mining deal ever consummated in Cassiar was made a couple of days ago. A wealthy Chicago syndicate, composed largely of directors of the Hibernian bank, has acquired a controlling interest in the 17 gold, copper and zinc claims owned by a group of Victoria men on Haskins mountain. Next summer a large amount of preliminary work, to the value of about \$50,000, will be engaged in, and should operations be as successful as present showings indicate, a company will be formed under the laws of New Jersey, with a capital of not less than \$5,000,000.

Negotiations are in progress to acquire the charter of the British Columbia, Northern & Mackenzie Valley railway, which is in the hands of a number of residents of Victoria. The extreme remoteness of the district renders the construction of a railway absolutely necessary should the mine be worked on a large scale. Though the distance is a long one, Prof. Powers' report has induced the syndicate to prepare for building the railroad that may follow. He estimated, in 1905, that there is 1,500,000,000 tons of ore in sight, or more than double the output of every product of the earth, both metallic and otherwise, in two years.

A tentative scheme of development has already been decided upon. It is proposed next season to run a tunnel of about 1,000 feet into the mountain at its base, which will render available an upraise of four times that distance. Eventually the mountain will be tunneled right through and ore brought out on both the east and west sides. The Chicago syndicate mentioned is also arranging to acquire another large group of claims a considerable distance east of those at present bonded.

Reference has been made from time to time of the mineral wealth of Haskins mountain, but the developments announced above show that in the opinion of a recognized authority it has not been overestimated. The deal did not go through until Prof. Powers, with a body of assistants, had spent two months in investigation. For this purpose a complete assay outfit was packed in to the property and tests made at every available point. These proved the ore to be worth \$40 per ton in zinc, in addition to good gold and copper values. The syndicate acquiring the claims is composed of men of large experience in similar classes of mining, and their confidence promises well for the future of lode mining in Cassiar. But, until transportation facilities are secured, the mountain might as well remain of no value. That it is the intention to obtain these is indicated by the movement to acquire the railway charter mentioned above. The bond calls for the deposit in a Victoria bank of the sum for next year's work before April 1, 1907. As a substantial sum has been paid the owners as a first instalment of the interest acquired by the Chicago syndicate, it appears certain the new shareholders have faith in the future of the property.

NEVER TOUCHED THEM.

San Francisco, Dec. 12.—In reporting a fire in the lumber district on December 7, it was erroneously stated that the Union Lumber Company of this city suffered a severe loss. While the yards of the Union Lumber Company were threatened, the fire did not reach them and the company suffered no loss whatever.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office, Dec. 12, 1906.

During this week abnormal weather conditions prevailed over the western portion of the continent. In this portion of the province the weather was mostly cloudy and unsettled and two severe ocean storm areas spread inland across Vancouver Island. The first of these storms appeared off the coast on the 6th and 7th, and the barometer at its centre fell to 29.00 inches, and a wind velocity of 76 miles was reported on the Washington coast. Storm warnings were displayed here and at Nanaimo and Vancouver on the morning of the 6th, and during the night a strong southerly gale became general extending to the lower mainland and the Sound districts. At Victoria the wind velocity was 44 miles from the southwest from 3 to 4 a. m. on 7th, and from 2.30 to 3 a. m. the velocity was at the rate of 24 miles. Nanaimo reports a maximum velocity of over 50 miles. Some damage to city property and a large number of trees blown down. During the 9th another severe storm appeared off the coast. Storm warnings were again displayed at the above named stations, and ten hours later a southerly gale became general over the straits and Sound districts. During the entire week intense cold has prevailed over the northwestern portion of the continent. At Dawson the highest temperature reported was 28 below zero, and the lowest 54 below. At Atlin the highest temperature was below zero and as far south as Port Simpson the lowest sharp frosts were of daily occurrence. Considerable snow has fallen in Cariboo with zero temperatures on four days, while from the coast to the interior the pronounced cold wave was general throughout the week. The lowest temperatures reported was 28 below zero at Hattfield and 32 below at Whinip.

Victoria—Sunshine, 9 hours and 54 minutes; rain and melting snow, 1.55 inch; highest temperature, 51.4 on 7th; lowest, 33.2 on the 10th.

Vancouver—Rain, 2.98 inches; highest temperature, 46 on the 7th; lowest, 33 on 8th.

New Westminster—Rain, 2.58 inches; highest temperature, 46 on 5th, 7th and 11th; lowest, 31 on 9th.

Kamloops—Snow, 1.45 inch; highest temperature, 52 on 7th; lowest, 18 on 8th and 9th.

Barkerville—Snow, 1.06 inches; highest temperature, 22 on 10th; lowest, 10 below on 5th.

Port Simpson—No rain or snow; highest temperature, 34 on 9th and 11th; lowest, 18 on 7th.

Atlin—Snow, 2 inch; highest temperature, 4 below on 11th; lowest, 28 below on 7th.

Dawson—Highest temperature, 38 below on the 9th, and lowest, 54 below on 5th.

IN LINE WITH THE PURE FOOD LAW.

The National Food and Drug Act which takes effect Jan. 1, 1907, does not affect Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in any manner. No special labels are required on this remedy under that Act, as it is free from opiates and narcotics of every character, making it a safe remedy for mothers to use with their children. This remedy has been in use for so many years, and its good qualities are so well known, that no one need hesitate to use it when troubled with a cough or cold. For sale by all druggists.

ISLAND INDUSTRIES IN OPERATION SOON

Silica Brick and Lime Co., and Nootka Marble Quarries, Ltd., Ready for Business

S. G. Marling is now in the East, purchasing machinery for the Silica Brick & Lime Co., Ltd., a Victoria corporation, of which H. B. Thomson, manager of Turner, Beaton & Co., is president. By February next this new industry will be well on its way to what is known as the Adkins property, at Esquimalt. The capacity of the machinery now being purchased will be 20,000 bricks every ten hours, or 40,000 per day, working double shifts.

This is one of the subsidiary companies floated by the Victoria syndicate formed in August last, among the prominent members of which are James A. Mitchell, of the Northern Elevator company; Andrew Wright, formerly of Winnipeg, and Wm. Fernie, all of this city, and other capitalists of equal prominence in other parts of the province. The capitalization of the Silica Brick & Lime Co. is \$150,000, and already \$50,000 worth of shares have been disposed of at the par value, \$10. In addition to the manufacture of the famous German silica brick, the company is installing a plant for producing hydrated lime, with a capacity of 200 barrels per day. This is the only one of its kind in Western Canada.

Silica bricks, which will stand a crushing strain five times as great as those made from clay, have many advantages over those ordinarily in use. They can be produced in twelve hours from the commencement of operations, while clay bricks require from three to four weeks. Instead of deteriorating with age, they improve and grow harder and better from exposure. They stand frost, fire and water better than the best pressed brick, and a wall made from the silica product becomes, as soon as the mortar sets, to all intents and purposes, solid stone. But one of the great advantages secured by this process is architectural uniformity or contrast. Coloring is not limited to the few shades produced by the old clay burning method; any color required can be produced at will. This advantage will be easily recognized by anyone conversant with building construction. The company already has assurances of a ready market for its output, one of its shareholders, for instance, being G. H. Webster, president of the B. C. General Contracting company. James K. Rebbeck, the consulting engineer, estimates the sale value of the property at \$5,260,762; so it will be seen there is an immense margin for profit over the modest capitalization.

Another company formed under the same auspices, the Nootka Marble Quarries, Ltd., of which E. E. Welch, manager of the B. C. Meat Market, is provisional president, is meeting with a similar measure of success. The capitalization is also \$150,000, and about the same amount of stock has been sold as in the silica brick corporation. As previously mentioned, this company owns the enormous deposits of marble on Nootka Sound that were described by Provincial Analyst Carmichael as flawless and bigger than the parliament buildings. These deposits will be operated at the earliest possible moment. A contingent contract has been entered into with the firm constructing the new Canadian Bank of Commerce building in Vancouver, for 5,000 feet of marble exhibiting in the Terminal City have aroused great interest among contractors and other large orders are looked for in the near future.

As was predicted at the time the parent syndicate was being formed, Vancouver Island stone and marble will be used in rebuilding San Francisco. The Nootka Quarries were yesterday asked to supply, for one firm alone, 2,200 tons of marble and stone as soon as possible. It is the intention of the company to at once commence active operations. An idea of the quality of the marble deposits can be gathered from the following remarks of Mr. Carmichael: "With reference to the marble deposits at Nootka Sound, which I have just inspected, seems to be of an exceptionally good quality and particularly free from detectable flaws."

"I feel safe in saying that blocks of marble can be taken from these deposits at least 10 feet square."

"In regard to quantity, I may say that on the west side of Deserated creek the visible marble extends about one-half to three-quarters of a mile, on the east side at least one and a quarter miles."

The colors range from pure white to iron grey, and in many places are beautifully mottled, and the colors of blue and white delicately grained or draped. This is the only marble that I know of in British Columbia, which could be quarried successfully for building purposes."

S. McClay, of Vancouver, the largest marble dealer in the province, has written the company that he is prepared to take a large portion of the output at \$7 per cubic foot.

A private meeting of the parent syndicate, the B. C. Building Resources company, was held at the office of the secretary, R. W. Clark, last night, and no particulars are at present available for publication.

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Births, Marriages, Deaths

DIED

DUNCAN—At St. Joseph's Hospital, on the 12th instant, George H. Duncan, M. D., C. M., a native of Russell, Ontario, aged 44 years.

The funeral will take place on Friday, December 14th, at 2:15 p. m., from the residence of Rev. W. Leslie Clay, and at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church at 2:30 o'clock.

GWENNAN—At the family residence, No. 47 North Park street, on the 12th inst., Elizabeth, the beloved wife of James Gwynn, a native of Cornwall, England, aged 65 years.

The funeral will take place from the residence as above on Saturday, December 15th, at 2:30 o'clock.

Friends please accept this intimation.

DIER—At her residence, 45 Fernwood road, on December 12th, Ellen, beloved wife of W. A. Dier, and daughter of the late Hiram Comfort, St. Thomas, Ontario, aged 55 years.

Funeral will take place from the residence as above on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

(St. Thomas papers please copy.)

HALL OF COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 2

I. O. O. F.

The Officers and Members of above Lodge are requested to meet at the Hall on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock sharp, for the purpose of attending the funeral of their late brother, George Duncan, M. D. Members of sister lodges are respectfully requested to attend.

By order of the N. G. R. W. FAWCETT, Rec. Sec.

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Saanich Conservatives.—A meeting of the Liberal-Conservative association of North Saanich will be held at Sidney tomorrow evening. The election of officers and organization in preparation for the next provincial election are among the business to be transacted.

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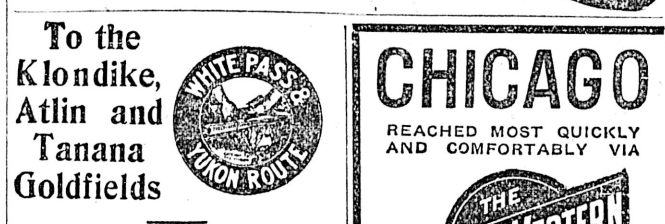
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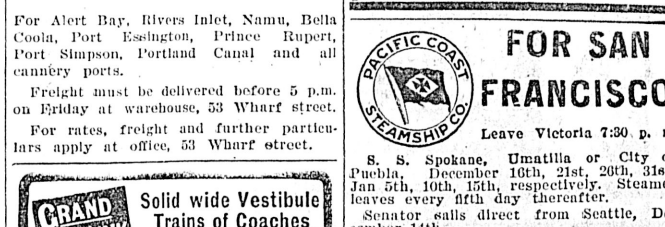
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MILLMEN ORGANIZE OWN LOGGING CAMPS

J. W. Coburn of Ladysmith Explains New Phase of Important Industry

"The scarcity of logs, and their high price, are compelling millmen to organize their own logging camps," said ex-Mayor J. W. Coburn, of Ladysmith at the King Edward hotel yesterday. He had just returned from Seattle after purchasing logging engines for the purpose of operating camps for the Ladysmith Lumber company, of which he is president. The company will at once commence operations on its limits on the east coast of the Island, a short distance north of Seymour Narrows. It was the intention to purchase boilers for the engines here, but Mr. Coburn stated that, owing to the labor disputes, all the machinery required for the new logging camps will now be obtained from the other side. Within two months the Ladysmith company will commence getting out its own logs and, after supplying the requirements of its own mills, probably place logs on the market.

Mr. Coburn is confident that the present prices will remain for next season at all events, even if they do not increase. "All the lumber we can cut," he said, "is easily sold in the Northwest, while some of our shingles go as far east as New York. Prices are higher on the other side than here. Although the duty are considered it is easily seen what big figures are paid for shingles, for instance in the Eastern States."

As an old resident of Vancouver Island Mr. Coburn is well qualified to speak of its coming development. He is enthusiastic regarding the future. "The best thing that ever happened," was the way he characterized the proposed extensive clearing operations of the C. P. R. on the E. & N. railway. From a recent conversation with one of the company's engineers he gathered that the first location would be back of Cumberland where the station is. Although the quantity of first class land, though, in his opinion, the bridge across Seymour Narrows will not be built for some time, he believes it will come eventually.

"What is helping Nanaimo out at the present time," he continued, "is the brisk demand for coal. That builds up the city. Although the loggers are coming in, they are nothing compared to those that will follow when the C. P. R. commences operations. We have, near Nanaimo, and in fact at many places up the east coast of the Island, land that will grow fruit equally well as the district round Victoria. I think, in this industry alone, Vancouver Island will shortly take a foremost place. Island fruit must eventually be a favorite on the English market. The climate is so similar to that of the fruit growing parts of Great Britain that the flavor is as good, if not better. Though fruit in eastern Canada is of very good appearance, the apples, in particular, are too coarse in texture and lacking in flavor to suit the palate of the class of English purchasers who are able to buy the best."

"But that is only one thing," Mr. Coburn remarked, "there are other industries that will flourish here. Vancouver Island has the largest and most compact body of merchantable timber in the world and it alone would warrant faith in the Island's future prosperity. Though there are several mills, and others under contemplation, I believe the insistent and rapidly increasing demand both of the prairie and overseas trade will force the construction of many more in the near future."

"And then the surface of the Island has not even been scraped by prospectors. Indications, outside a few localities, are all that exist. That many of these prospects will prove mines with depth I thoroughly believe. In fact, for the size, Vancouver Island has greater and more varied resources than any other part of the globe. The present prosperity," Mr. Coburn concluded, "will continue. Not only that, opportunities will expand with great rapidity and I think the time will shortly come when not only the commanding position for trade, but also its built up, self-contained commercial importance, will compel adequate railway communication with the Mainland. Whether ferries or the Seymour Narrows' bridge will come first, I do not venture to predict, but there will be some proper transportation facilities provided within the next couple of years."

SHOT TWO PANTHERS.

Magnificent Skins Secured Near Alberni by the Green Brothers.

Mr. Walter Green, eldest son of the Rev. A. E. Green, returned this morning from a very successful hunting trip on Vancouver Island says the Province. He was accompanied by his younger brother Vernon, and their uncle, W. E. Green.

About halfway between Nanaimo and Alberni they shot two panthers. They killed two panthers, a male and a female. The latter was killed first, late in the night. Walter Green saw the animal approaching, and lay in wait until the panther was within thirty yards of his shotgun. The animal was killed with one shot.

The male was treed next morning, and was brought down with a shot from a rifle by Vernon Green. The male measured eight feet nine inches from tip to tip, and the female eight feet. The animals are the largest ever shot in the neighborhood. The skins will be brought to Vancouver tomorrow. They were presented at the office of the government agent at Nanaimo today for the collection of the bounty.

Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 12.—A north bound Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe passenger train was derailed while passing through Seward tonight. The baggage car and express cars and the smoking car and the day coach went in the ditch, no one was seriously injured.

PRICES IN EDINBURG ARE NOT EXCESSIVE

Maule's Charges for B. C. Prize Fruit Compare Favorably With Others

The reproduction in facsimile in Tuesday's Colonist of an advertisement of British Columbia apples, that appeared in the Edinburgh Scotsman of Nov. 10, has attracted considerable attention. Several local fruit growers have expressed the opinion that the retail price at which they were sold 15, 18 and 21 shillings per 40 pound box was excessive and induced by the fact that the apples in question were taken to England for exhibition purposes.

That such is not the case has been proved by correspondence with Garcia, Jacobs & Co., the big fruit salesmen of London, Liverpool and Glasgow as long ago as February, 1905. This firm, which handles 100 per cent of the Pacific coast apples reaching England, wrote R. M. Palmer, under date February 8, 1905, referring to Cox's Orange Pippins, Spitzenberg and Newton Pippins, from Oregon: "The lowest realization has been 14s. per case and the highest 18s. It would not surprise us if \$1.75 had been paid in Oregon this season."

Shipped Full Carload

As a result of this correspondence a shipment of a full carload was sent to the British market. This grade has reached such an extent and competition has become so keen owing to the prevalence of pests in California and the consequent diminution of the crop, that English buyers visit Oregon every summer and purchase apples on the trees, arranging with local associations for packing. This course is most largely pursued in the Hood River district which was one of the first to introduce up-to-date methods of packing and uniform sized boxes. These boxes are now the standard weight of Canada, 40 pounds, and British Columbia packers are recognized now as being as expert as any in the world.

The most successful apple, as regards price, of any grower in Great Britain is Cox's Orange Pippin, that is now being grown to perfection in many parts of British Columbia, particularly in the vicinity of Lytton and in the Okanagan valley. Many experiments have been made in other parts of Canada and the United States to cultivate it successfully but, outside this province, they have been failures. There was a splendid collection of this variety included in the consignment taken to England recently by R. M. Palmer, but it is presumed it was retained in the exhibit until after the big show in London. The Blenheim Orange, one of the varieties named in the advertisement mentioned, is, however, a very similar variety.

May Visit British Columbia

There is every indication that the fruit at present in England will be the cause of inducing Old Country buyers who at present confine their attention to Oregon and California, to visit British Columbia next season. This has been shown in official correspondence. The only thing wanting in the past has been the production of a sufficient quantity of fruit to warrant the British wholesale attention. As the province now about 20,000 acres of orchards in the province that have reached the bearing stage out of the 40,000 to 45,000 acres under cultivation, the industry is rapidly assuming large proportions.

Fruit growers in Victoria and its vicinity need not, however, consider the British market as a present or future province are able to consume many times what the province can produce in both tree and small fruits. As pointed out by Mr. Palmer in a recent interview, the many small orchards under cultivation are more suited to supply the needs of the farming communities in Alberta and Saskatchewan than the large areas devoted in most cases to a few varieties in the interior. Prices on the prairie run even higher than in England and the cost of expressage is much less. But the trade that must come with Great Britain is of especial interest to orchardists in the Okanagan. Actual results have shown the probability of orchards in that district. The experience of T. W. Sterling, of Kelowna, may be given as an instance. In 1900 he planted 16 acres of apples. In 1903 a crop of 140 tons; in 1904, 130 tons; in 1905, 170 tons and in 1906 nearly 200 tons.

Jonathan Big Yields

One variety, the Jonathan produced 90 pounds to the tree when four years old; five years old, 100 pounds; and this year, at six years old, the crop was 200 pounds to the tree. These apples were worth \$1.50 per 40 pound box at the packing house, making the yield per tree for the present season of the value of \$7.50. These figures, given from actual experience, show that in a very few years British Columbia apples will be able to compete on the London market with those produced in any part of the world. It is interesting to note, in this connection that, as early as 1903, Kierling and Pitcairn shipped a trial carload to Glasgow that arrived in splendid condition on Nov. 10. When sold at public auction, these apples brought \$1.00 per barrel more than the choicest from eastern Canada, reckoning three and a half boxes to the barrel. To quote from the most recent bulletin on agriculture, "Taking a collection of British Columbia fruit it is larger, better colored and better flavored than any similar miscellany lot, the product of any other country."

FINANCIAL

NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, Dec. 13.—The following quotations ruled on the Stock Exchange today:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
A. T. & S. F.	101 1/4	101 3/4	101 1/4	101 3/4
do pd.	102	102	101 3/4	101 3/4
B. & O.	113 1/2	113 3/4	113 1/2	113 3/4
do pd.	114	114	113 3/4	114
R. R. T.	80 1/2	80 3/4	80 1/2	80 3/4
C. & G. W.	17 1/2	17 3/4	17 1/2	17 3/4
C. M. & S. P.	188 1/2	188 3/4	188 1/2	188 3/4
C. T. & T.	9	9	9	9
do pd.	9	9	9	9
C. P.	105 1/2	105 3/4	105 1/2	105 3/4
D. & A. G.	42 1/2	42 3/4	42 1/2	42 3/4
Erie	41 1/2	41 3/4	41 1/2	41 3/4
L. & N.	14 1/2	14 3/4	14 1/2	14 3/4
Man. L.	14 1/2	14 3/4	14 1/2	14 3/4
Met. St. Ry.	106	106	106	106
M. K. & T.	40 1/2	40 3/4	40 1/2	40 3/4
Mo. Pac.	91	91 1/2	91	91 1/2
N. Y. C.	132 1/2	132 3/4	132 1/2	132 3/4
do rights	6	6	6	6
N. & W.	91 1/2	91 3/4	91 1/2	91 3/4
do pd.	90	90	90	90
O. & W.	48	48	47 1/2	47 1/2
Pa. Ry.	138 1/2	138 3/4	138 1/2	138 3/4
Reading	148 1/2	148 3/4	148 1/2	148 3/4
do 1st pd.	90	90	89 1/2	89 1/2
R. I. C.	28 1/2	28 3/4	28 1/2	28 3/4
do pd.	60 1/2	60 3/4	60 1/2	60 3/4
S. P.	93 1/2	93 3/4	93 1/2	93 3/4
do pd.	119 1/2	119 3/4	119 1/2	119 3/4
St. P.	34 1/2	34 3/4	34 1/2	34 3/4
U. P.	18 1/2	18 3/4	18 1/2	18 3/4
Wabash	19 1/2	19 3/4	19 1/2	19 3/4
Am. C.	11 1/2	11 3/4	11 1/2	11 3/4
Am. C. O.	32	32	31 1/2	31 1/2
Am. L.	74	74	73 1/2	73 1/2
Am. L. O.	18	18	17 1/2	17 1/2
do 1st pd.	37	37	36 1/2	36 1/2
Am. Car & F.	43 1/2	43 3/4	43 1/2	43 3/4
Am. H. & L. pd.	30	30	30	30
Am. Sm.	132 1/2	132 3/4	132 1/2	132 3/4
Am. Sugar	135	135	134 1/2	134 1/2
C. F. & I.	54 1/2	54 3/4	54 1/2	54 3/4
Gen. Leather	30 1/2	30 3/4	30 1/2	30 3/4
Gen. Paper	18	18	17 1/2	17 1/2
People's Gas	91 1/2	91 3/4	91 1/2	91 3/4
Ry. Steel Sp.	54 1/2	54 3/4	54 1/2	54 3/4
U. S. Steel	48 1/2	48 3/4	47 1/2	47 1/2
do 1st pd.	104 1/2	104 3/4	104 1/2	104 3/4
Webt. Union	86	86	85 1/2	85 1/2

Total sales, 1,352,200 shares. Money on call, 4 to 10 per cent; ruling rate, 4 1/2 per cent; last loan, 4 per cent.

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Chicago, Dec. 13.—The following quotations ruled on the Board of Trade today:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat No. 2.	74 1/4	74 3/4	74 1/4	74 3/4
May	75 1/2	75 3/4	75 1/2	75 3/4
July	77 1/2	77 3/4	77 1/2	77 3/4
corn	43 1/2	43 3/4	43 1/2	43 3/4
May	44 1/2	44 3/4	44 1/2	44 3/4
July	45 1/2	45 3/4	45 1/2	45 3/4
Work	15 1/2	15 3/4	15 1/2	15 3/4
Jan	16 1/2	16 3/4	16 1/2	16 3/4
May	17 1/2	17 3/4	17 1/2	17 3/4
Liverpool Wheat	68 1/2	68 3/4	68 1/2	68 3/4

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	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Banks—				
Montreal	264 1/2	264 3/4	264 1/2	264 3/4
Molson	205	205	205	205
Molson	157	157	157	157
Miscellaneous—				
Twinn City	105 1/2	105 3/4	105 1/2	105 3/4
Mont. Heat and Power	93 1/2	93 3/4	93 1/2	93 3/4
Montreal Street Railway	240 1/2	240 3/4	240 1/2	240 3/4
Toronto Street Railway	115 1/2	115 3/4	115 1/2	115 3/4
Dominion Coal, com.	67	67	66 1/2	66 1/2
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I will also at same time and place, under and by virtue of an order of the Honourable the Chief Justice, dated June 18th, 1906, and an order of the Honourable Mr. Justice Irving, dated September 27th, 1906, sell at Public Auction the interests of the said Yreka Copper Company in the following described lands, namely: Lots 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

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E. LOWE, Secretary.
Wellington Extension Medical, Accident and Burial Funds.
NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision respecting the Municipal Voters' List for the year 1907, will sit in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Friday the 21st day of December, instant, at 10 a. m.
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Victoria, B. C., Dec. 11th, 1906.

"The Great Mogul"
By Louis Tracy, Author of
The Wings of the Morning
CHAPTER X—Continued.
"I cannot forego my suspicions. They are useless, I admit. We have thrust our heads into the jaws of the lion, and can scarce complain if he snaps them off."
"Let us rather resolve to give him the toothache if he tries any tricks," growled Sainton. "Make for him, but if there be aught amiss. Trust to me to clear a path. For each one in the crowd who draws for the King there will be another ready to draw against him should they see a chance of success."
They spoke in English. Their native attendant seeing that they had finished their meal, begged to be allowed to depart for a little while. When all was ready he would come and bring them to the tannash-gah. They were seated in a beautiful apartment, with frescoed walls, mosaic floor, and arched Moorish roof composed of colored tiles. On one side it opened into a garden. The palace, unlike most kindly residences, was not of a solid building, but was made up of a series of exquisitely proportioned halls or small private abodes, sometimes connected by covered ways, but often standing quite apart, and always surrounded by a wealth of flowers and foliage peculiarly grateful to eyes wearied by the glare of the sun reflected from white marble.
Industriously watering the plants was a sturdy bhisti, or water-carrier. His goatskin bag seemed to be inexhaustible. He had been traversing the garden paths throughout the whole time they were eating. No sooner were they alone in the room than he ran close to the plinth and began to deluge the rose-bushes in good earnest.
"Protector of the poor!" he murmured to Walter, "stay not here. Go away quickly, in God's name!"
Considerably startled by the man's words, which chimed so strangely with his own forebodings, Mowbray bent towards him.
"Who bade thee give me this message?" he asked, knowing full well that such a menial would never dare to speak on his own authority.
"One who wishes thee well, sahib—my wife, to wit," answered the bhisti.
"Thy wife?"
"Yes, honored one. You plucked our child from death in the river, and my wife heard of it. She said, 'What a man! He would make sport with thee and the Hathi-sahib ere both are put to death.' Swish, swish, went the water among the rose-leaves. Never was there a more energetic bhisti, for a gardener had appeared, and further talk was impossible.
"As well die here as a mile away," was Roger's quiet comment. "We have breakfasted, we have dined, and a fight is toward. What more can a man want? Out with your hanger, Walter, when Jahangir so much as opens his mouth to speak crossly. We shall give him a feast of steel, with first, second, and third courses all alike. There shall be no carving, yet none will turn to eat. 'God! what a man! He makes me thirsty, and if I am fated to fall today, my blades may as well let out some good liquor. Fall to, lad! We may not have another chance.'"
He seized a bottle of Alicant and poured out two generous measures. Mowbray lifted a tankard and cried—
"Here's to Old England and Nellie Rogers! If I never see either again!"
"And here's to the day when I set foot on the heather once more!" was Sainton's sturdy rejoinder. It was in such spirit that they followed the chamberlain when he reappeared.
They had no opportunity of conversing again with the bhisti. Walter, however, could not resist the temptation to send an inspiring message to the man now on the verge of enlightenment. So Walter called the poor fellow towards him and openly presented him with some rupees, saying—
"He that refreshes the thirsty earth and causes the flowers to grow is among the most deserving of mortals."
The man shifted his water-bag uneasily.
"Salaam, sahib," he said. "May your years be numbered as the pice in these coins."
Now, there are sixty-four pice in a rupee, so the bhisti's wish had not an uncheerful ring in their ears as they followed their guide across the garden and thence to a new part of the palace grounds. They were conducted to an extensive stone platform, built level with the fortification at a point where the outer walls were laved by the river Jumna.
Exactly in front of and below the platform, however, a square enclosed court, or arena, was reclaimed from the bed of the stream. The preparations in progress there, no less than the presence of several elephants in battle gear, hunting leopards in leath, antelopes trained for fighting, hunting tigers, and a tremendous horde of men, including even the ungainly rhinoceros, showed what manner of sport was forthcoming. Notwithstanding the precarious condition of their own fortunes, both Mowbray and Sainton regarded the scene with curious eyes.

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They had, of course, during their three years' sojourn, witnessed the three spring of the chitah* onto the back of a living deer; they had chased wild boar and even tigers; they had seen a trained eagle pounce onto an antelope and buffet the frightened creature's head with its wings until the claws got to work. But a combat of elephants was a King's amusement, as few save a monarch could afford the cost or command men to risk and lose their lives in such fashion.
The broad terrace on which they stood was flanked by the graceful buildings of the zenana. A double line of spear-men guarded it on three sides, while another batch of warriors surrounded a ponderous block of black marble, resting on four low supports, which bore the Emperor's chair. This was a place close to the edge of the battlements, so that his Majesty could watch each detail of the sanguinary encounters in the arena some twenty feet beneath. The chair was securely bound to the marble block lest it should topple over in a moment of royal excitement, and there was standing room on the large stone to accommodate a dozen of the privileged spectators. For the rest, the platform extended so far on either hand that all could look easily into the enclosure, whilst many a window and balcony of the palace permitted the ladies of the household to take part in the proceedings if they were so minded. When the Englishmen arrived there were already many rajahs, emirs, and other notable figures standing in groups on the terrace. None of these addressed the strangers, but muttered words and covert looks showed that some event was toward of which those present were cognizant.
Roger eyed the strength of the guard and smiled. He laughed outright when he saw Walter to note the manner in which even the royal chair was protected.
"Jahangir either plans mischief or is afraid of it," he said. "He hath marshaled a small army to protect him in his own house."
Walter straightway took the bull by the horns in addressing a question to one who stood near a window and with whom he had a slight acquaintance.
"Is display of force usual within the palace?" he asked.
The other shrugged his shoulders.
"They talk of a fierce tiger being let loose," he murmured. "One never knows what may happen."
He vouchsafed no further information. Indeed, at that moment, Jahangir appeared in an appearance. His swarthy face was flushed and there was an evil glint in his close set eyes. Evidently he had been imbibing liquor forbidden by the Prophet. Accompanied by a few young noblemen whose appearance betokened the force of kingly example, he strode toward his chair without paying the slightest attention to the respectful salutations of the crowd.
"Brink the sheep first," he grunted. "We shall deal with the pigs later."
This obscure joke was greeted with shouts of laughter.
"Karamat! Karamat!" was the exclamation, for every Mohammedan there had laid to heart the Persian proverb—
"Should the King say that it is night at noon,
Be sure to cry: 'Behold, I see the moon!'"
Yet Mowbray, alert to discern the slightest straw-twig to the swirl of the current, thought that some of the older men glancing askance at Jahangir, which puzzled him as he knew quite well that the death of a Feringhi was of little account to an Asiatic.
The "sheep" alluded to by Jahangir were veritable carcasses of those animals slung from poles by the feet tied in a bunch. They were carried by servants to the terrace itself, and forthwith a few athletic youths created some excitement by endeavoring to subdue in the first place, to cut through the four feet at one blow, and, secondly, to divide the body in the same way. They used their razor-edged

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PERSONAL

J. M. Elliott, of Aurora, Man., is a guest at the Hotel Victoria.

Sol. Oppenheimer, the Vancouver commercial man, came over last night and registered at the Hotel.

J. H. Noan, a mining man from Portland Canal, came down on the Camosun last night. He registered at the Dominion.

Mrs. Lee Acton, who has been on a prolonged visit to her old home in England, returned to Victoria last night.

W. F. Best returned from the West coast last night, where he had been on business connected with the Quatsno Pulp Company.

R. E. Loring, Indian agent at Hazelton, returned from Ottawa last night, where he had been conferring with the Dominion government regarding the recent trouble with the Babine Indians. He is at the King Edward.

John Peck, provincial boiler inspector, and T. Goldie, assistant inspector, both of New Westminster, have been in Victoria since the beginning of the week on business. Mr. Peck and Mr. Goldie leave for New Westminster today.

Humorist Lecture.—At the Y. M. C. A. auditorium on Monday evening next, Franklin Pierce Jolly, of Joliette, Ill., will lecture on the "Jolly Side of Life."

Some of his "little jokes" are: "The best place to court a girl is by an old-fashioned fireplace." "When love becomes a matter of cool deliberation and mathematical calculation, it is not long until you will hear the sound of the

warwhoop around that home." "If every one would take three bottles of laughter well shaken up, morning, noon and night, it would cut the doctor's profession squarely in two inside of ten years."

The Dale Mystery.—Constable W. Woolcott, who has been investigating the mysterious disappearance of H. Dale, a young Philadelphian who is missing from a ranch in the Bella Coola valley where he and his partner lived together, was a passenger on the Camosun to Vancouver yesterday. Nothing was learned to clear up the mystery of the young man's fate. A blood-stained saddle was reported found, but what had become of Dale was not learned. Constable Woolcott has not yet reported to the provincial police concerning his investigations. He brought three Indian prisoners from Alert Bay, one accused of rape, and two who were sentenced to six months' imprisonment by A. J. Halliday, J. P., at Alert Bay, for robbery.

INSANITY THE CAUSE.

Maple Creek, Sask., Dec. 13.—The coroner's jury which inquired into the death of Guy D. Sharp, a young Englishman found dead in a hotel here yesterday, brought in a verdict that the deceased came to his death from taking cyanide of potassium while temporarily insane. His father died in England recently, leaving money to his son.

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Party Camping at Cowichan Lake
Tells of Experiences During Big Gale

G. Kenneth Gillespie, son of the manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, had a remarkable escape from death during the gale of last week. He is at present engaged with John Hirsch, P.L.S., attaching by survey the islands in Cowichan lake to the main shore. Up till last Wednesday the party occupied a log house at the head of the lake, but on Wednesday morning Mr. Hirsch gave orders that they should go under canvas some distance away, to be nearer the location of the gale. After some delay this was agreed to and the party slept that night in tents. In the early hours of Thursday morning the great gale that caused so much damage arose and thousands of trees were blown down in the thick forest surrounding Cowichan lake.

One of these fell on the roof of the log house in which Mr. Hirsch's party had passed several previous nights and, as a result, not a single log is left standing of the cabin. If the party had remained another night there every one would have met an instant death.

H. H. Jones, of this city, who, with a party, was in the same vicinity at the time of the gale, also had many narrow escapes. He states that the high wind seemed to cut roads through the forest, perfectly clean, and swept all trees in its course to the ground. His tent was struck by one in its fall, but luckily no one was injured. Another fell right in front of the tent, and a short and a tower was blown up from the shore of the lake, and deposited some distance away in the stable yard. Mr. Jones states that he talked with several old residents, including Messrs. Bazzett, of Duncan, and Green, of Cowichan lake, and all agreed that the gale was the severest experienced for at least twenty years.

At the Cowichan Lake hotel the boat-house was torn from its moorings, and a sail boat was lifted bodily by the wind and dropped on top of a gasoline launch that had been drawn up on the bank for the winter. A stored snowbarrow was also taken up from the shore of the lake, and deposited some distance away in the stable yard. Mr. Jones states that he talked with several old residents, including Messrs. Bazzett, of Duncan, and Green, of Cowichan lake, and all agreed that the gale was the severest experienced for at least twenty years.

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